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Air Force batters PLO strongholds for 10 hours

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT and Agencies

BEIRUT. — Thunderous explosions reverberated through this city all day yesterday as the air force launched its heaviest attack on West Beirut since the war began in June.

Entire areas were covered by clouds of black-grey smoke and the smell of gunpowder wafted as far as sections of Christian-held East Beirut.

The enemy returned Sagger, Katyusha, mortar and light-arms fire. The IDF spokesman announced one soldier was killed and 10 wounded yesterday. On Wednesday there were 31 casualties.

A soldier in the spokesman's office of the Phalange headquarters here said five of their men were wounded near the museum in the afternoon and were rushed to hospital. There were no figures on enemy casualties, but military sources here estimated that dozens were killed and hundreds wounded.

Official military spokesmen were hard put last night to explain the massive bombardment. If the goal is to get the terrorists out of West Beirut, one senior official said, it is unclear why the IDF was ordered into action which suspended

negotiations toward this goal.

"But then again," they continued "our job is not to question policy, but to implement it."

Reports of the IDF non-aerial activity in and around Beirut were highly exaggerated, they said, and they emphatically denied that there had been any military buildup in the northeast in the Bekaa region. There had been a changeover of forces there, they said, which would explain the "almost hysterical" reports of a huge Israeli buildup there.

The sources would not confirm or deny that the IDF had landed forces north of Jounieh — something the foreign press had been reporting for three days.

When pushed to explain the 10 hours of aerial and naval bombardment of the city, an officer in the spokesman's office said that this was in response to PLO shelling of Israeli forces over the past 48 hours — which killed two Israeli soldiers, and wounded 37.

The air attack awoke Beirutis at about 6 a.m. and the sound of jets did not leave them for over 10 hours. From time to time the jets dived, released bombs which exploded in various sectors of the PLO-held enclave and roared off.

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Begin: Accord on PLO departure 'very close'

By ARYEH RUBINSTEIN

Prime Minister Menachem Begin told the Knesset yesterday that an agreement on the evacuation of the PLO and Syrian forces in West Beirut was close at hand, and that only two major points remained to be settled.

He was replying to a motion for the agenda by Naim Bar-Lev (Alignment) during a special session of the House yesterday.

The crux of Bar-Lev's speech was that the bombing of civilian-populated areas in Lebanon was wrong. Whatever Israel gained militarily from such bombing was cancelled out by the damage caused to the country's image "and to our conscience as Jews and Israelis." For many years to come, Bar-Lev said, the world would remind Israel of this dark hour.

Bar-Lev said that the tremendous power of the Israel Defence Forces must be reserved for defending "the direct security" of Israel. The war in Lebanon, he said, had gone beyond direct security needs, he said, "hence the debate and hence the criticism."

Goals like the establishment of a strong government in Lebanon, and the removal of the Syrians and the terrorists from Lebanon were "desirable, but matters for a

political effort," Bar-Lev said.

Begin opened with a lengthy review of the war's events, beginning with June 5, and he quoted extensively from a number of communications he had sent to U.S. President Ronald Reagan and Secretary of State George Shultz.

Eventually, he got to the present state of the negotiations with U.S. special envoy Philip Habib.

One outstanding question, he said, concerned the entry of UN observers into Beirut. At first, Begin said, he had been under the impression that Habib intended to implement the Security Council resolution about posting observers to enforce the cease-fire.

But at the end of their second talk, on Tuesday night, Habib denied that he had any such intention: the observers would have nothing to do with the cease-fire.

Habib told Begin that the observers would be partners in the arrangements for getting the terrorists out of Beirut. But Begin said he had pointed out that that was the job of the multinational force.

Given the hostile attitude towards Israel on the part of the Security Council, the General Assembly, and the UN specialized agencies, and given the Assembly's equating of

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Cabinet calls off Beirut bombardment after Reagan threatens to recall Habib

U.S. suspects Jerusalem wants mediation to fail

By WOLF BLITZER

Jerusalem Post Correspondent
 WASHINGTON. — President Ronald Reagan yesterday expressed shock and outrage over Israel's latest bombing and shelling of West Beirut.

The president accused Israel of violating the cease-fire in Lebanon just when special U.S. envoy Philip Habib was on the verge of successfully completing negotiations to remove the PLO from West Beirut.

Other senior U.S. officials suggested privately that yesterday's intense Israeli bombardment strengthened the impression that Israel does not actually want Habib's effort to succeed.

Reagan personally telephoned Prime Minister Menachem Begin to insist that Israel abide by the cease-fire. Later, Reagan sent Begin a strongly worded, written communication — the second of the day — insisting on a stable cease-fire. Both messages were delivered by Ambassador Samuel Lewis.

A White House statement underlined the president's deep anger at Israel for continuing its policy of bombing PLO targets at this delicate stage in Habib's negotiations. Reagan made it clear that Israel — not the PLO — was to

blame for the breakdown in the cease-fire.

It was Reagan's most severe statement against Israel since he took office nearly two years ago.

Noting the Israeli cabinet's announcement that a new cease-fire had been approved, the statement demanded: "It must hold."

State Department officials last night disclosed that Habib managed to resume his negotiations shortly after the Israeli bombardment stopped. Habib first met with Lebanese Prime Minister Shafik Wazzan, who later met with the PLO.

"The President was shocked this morning when he learned of the new heavy Israeli bombardment of West Beirut," White House spokesman Larry Speakes told reporters.

"As a result," Speakes continued, "the president telephoned Prime Minister Begin concerning the most recent bombing and shelling in Beirut. The president expressed his outrage over this latest round of massive military action. He emphasized that Israel's actions halted Ambassador Habib's negotiations for the peaceful resolution of the Beirut crisis when they were at the point of success."

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Wazzan and Sarkis break off with Habib

BEIRUT. — Prime Minister Shafik Wazzan suspended talks yesterday with U.S. presidential envoy Philip Habib on evacuating the PLO from West Beirut, charging Israel was determined to "wipe out the Lebanese capital anyway."

(The talks were resumed after intervention from Washington and the cessation of fire.)

President Elias Sarkis joined his prime minister in denouncing Israel's air raids and appealed to U.S. President Ronald Reagan and King Fahd of Saudi Arabia to intervene.

"These wholesale massacres and mass obliteration of innocent lives and civilian casualties by Israeli warplanes must be stopped," Sarkis said in telegrams he dispatched to Reagan and Fahd, Lebanon's state radio and television reported.

Both Sarkis and Wazzan acted after a one-hour conference with Habib in suburban Ba'abda as Israeli jets staged the most intense air attacks on the Moslem half of the Lebanese capital in the nine-week-old war.

Wazzan, the official Lebanese intermediary between Habib and PLO chief Yasser Arafat in the

eight-week-old talks, said the Ba'abda discussions did not deal with Israel's demands for a final deal on a PLO evacuation.

"We only discussed these concentrated air raids, which has no parallel either in the past or the present," Wazzan said.

"If they want to kill us all let them do it and have it over and done with. Let the world shoulder the responsibility for allowing the massacre and let the U.S. face its responsibility toward the rest of the world."

Wazzan said the PLO and the Lebanese government had "offered the concessions requested from us and we had even reached the stage of defining the PLO's departure routes...then all this."

The state radio said Wazzan was expected to give Habib detailed lists of the number of PLO terrorists headed for each Arab country that has agreed to take evacuees in response to the Israeli demand to ensure that all trapped terrorists in West Beirut be withdrawn.

There was no word whether Habib had been able to resolve the last hitch in the negotiations con-

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Begin joins ministers in attack on Sharon

By ASHER WALLFISH

Jerusalem Post Reporter
 The cabinet yesterday bowed to American pressure and agreed to lower the military profile around West Beirut.

Prime Minister Menachem Begin also said at the close of the special session, the cabinet's third this week, that from now on substantive military decisions would be brought before the full cabinet for approval, and this would include the use of the air force over West Beirut.

In the noisiest and most tense cabinet session since the Lebanon war began, Defence Minister Ariel Sharon saw almost the entire cabinet ganging up against him. Ministers told *The Jerusalem Post* that Sharon was most irritated because Begin took the side of his critics and told him to watch his words and his behaviour with regard to his style at cabinet sessions.

The torrent of rebuke against Sharon personally and against his direction of the war over the past few days was all the more significant in that two of his constant critics, Communications Minister Mordechai Zipori and Energy Minister Yitzhak Berman, were not even present. The anti-Sharon offensive was mounted by Deputy Premier David Levy and Interior Minister Yosef Burg. They got support from Education Minister Zevulun Hammer and Deputy Premier Simha Ehrlich.

The cabinet majority swung clearly away from Sharon under the shadow of intense pressure from the United States. One message from Washington reached Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir before the Cabinet session and another reached Begin during the actual session. Both warned that President Ronald Reagan was on the verge of suspending the Habib mission.

After the Cabinet session Reagan called Begin on the phone to hear that the air force activity was being



Defence Minister Sharon (David Rubinger)

stopped. Reagan asked Begin to talk to Sharon and the Chief of Staff and make sure the stoppage took effect. Begin did so, then phoned Reagan back to say a cease-fire was now in force.

Hammer told some of his colleagues in the Knesset yesterday that he would like to get the cabinet called into session while everyone was in the building (story p.2) to discuss the heavy aerial activity over West Beirut.

As it happened the cabinet was convened at the request of Sharon who came along with Chief of Staff Rav-Aluf Rafael Eitan to request cabinet approval for a certain military move.

This move was described to *The Post* by one of the ministers as "a triviality, a tactical action which Sharon would not have bothered to ask anybody about in the past and which would certainly have been approved instantly in the past had he sought approval."

This minister said: "In the present state of the Habib mission, however, and with the U.S. telling us that it finds the military moves in West Beirut totally incomprehensible, we decided to reject Sharon's request."

Sharon's only support came from

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Sharon accuses cabinet of endangering Israeli troops

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A bitter Ariel Sharon yesterday implicitly accused the cabinet of exposing IDF men around Beirut to increased danger, by deciding to reduce military action against the PLO in the besieged Lebanese capital.

Briefing the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee immediately after being virtually isolated in the cabinet and scolded by the prime minister, the defence

minister said that by urging continued bombing and shelling, he had wanted to afford "maximum and continuous protection" to the troops. "Every day men in the field tell me they need it," he said. Although he was in the minority, he accepted the government decision as binding, the minister said.

Sharon rejected charges that the IDF initiated exchanges of fire in Beirut. Israel only opened fire after being fired upon, he said.

MKs said after the meeting that Sharon had made "cynical" remarks about his fellow ministers, accusing them of trying to "reap the fruit" of the IDF action by vying for the right to conduct the negotiations. He attacked two Likud members of the committee, Ronnie Milo and Dror Zeigerman, for saying he had exceeded his authority by conducting negotiations. "I only did what the prime minister ordered me to do," he said.

Sharon said that the cabinet meeting had been the most acrimonious and tense that he had attended and gave the committee members the impression that he was sharply disappointed by the criticism of his fellow ministers.

However, Tehiya MK Geula Cohen offered him some solace. "The cabinet can decide what it wishes," she said. "But you do as you wish in the end, and what you wish is all right with me."

Actor Henry Fonda dies, 77

LOS ANGELES. — Veteran actor Henry Fonda died yesterday after a long battle with heart disease, a spokesman for Cedars-Sinai Medical Centre said. He was 77.

The actor starred in such film classics as *The Grapes of Wrath*, *Mister Roberts*, *Young Mr. Lincoln* and *Twelve Angry Men*.

But he did not win a regular Academy Award until 1962, when he closed out his career with one of his best performances in *On Golden Pond*, co-starring with his female equivalent in American stage and screen acting, Katharine Hepburn.

The film, depicting an aged couple's search for dignity in the face of death, featured Fonda's first performance with his Oscar-winning daughter Jane, who was responsible for making the film as a gesture of love for her father.

Fonda, unable to accept in person because of his illness, broke into tears at his home when his name was announced as winner of the best actor award.

It was his first acting Oscar in three nominations, although he had won an honorary Academy Award for his distinguished career the year before. He starred in more than 70 films.

Fonda's fifth wife, Shirlee, was at



his side when he died. Daughter Jane and actor son Peter arrived just after Fonda died, the hospital spokesman said.

Fonda, a giant of the stage, screen and television, kept up a vigorous acting schedule until 1981 despite implantation of a heart pacemaker in 1974. He underwent exploratory heart surgery in May 1981 and had been in and out of hospitals since.

A funeral is unlikely. "I don't like funerals," Fonda told his biographer "and it's in my will that there won't be one." (AP, UPI)

El Al staff denounced for delaying Orthodox

By MICHAEL YUDELMAN

Jerusalem Post Reporter
 BEN-GURION AIRPORT. — The action yesterday in which hundreds of El Al workers delayed ultra-Orthodox Jews from boarding their planes was the first of a series of "surprise demonstrative measures" planned as part of the workers' fight against the government's decision to stop El Al's flights on Saturdays and holidays.

The action brought a flood of vehement responses by Knesset members, El Al's management, Agudat Yisrael leaders and the Histadrut.

El Al's board of directors expressed "shock and disgust" at what they called "exhibition of hatred" in the matter of the airline's flights on Saturday. The board also expressed deep sorrow at the distress caused to the passengers yesterday morning.

The Knesset will meet in special session on Wednesday to discuss the incident (see page 3).

At about 5:30 a.m. yesterday, hundreds of El Al workers blocked the entrances to the terminal and

would not let in any ultra-Orthodox Jews whom they identified with Agudat Yisrael. Workers stood at the airport gate and notified those at the terminal by radio of any Orthodox entering the grounds.

Ultra-Orthodox passengers trying to enter the terminal were confronted by shouts of "Aguda, to the army!" "Shabbos!" and "Put up an airport in Bnei Brak." Workers painted "To be a free nation in our country" and a caricature of an Orthodox Jew trampling on two El Al aircraft ready to take off.

A large police and Border Patrol force called in by the airport police urged the workers to disperse their illegal demonstration. At about 7:15 the demonstrators sang the national anthem and dispersed, finally enabling Orthodox passengers to board their planes.

El Al's flight 385 to Rome left at 7:15 a.m. instead of at 6:50 a.m., and Swissair's flight to Zurich left at 8 a.m. instead of at 7:20 a.m. El Al's spokesman said that no passengers missed their flights as a result of the demonstration.

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SOCIAL & PERSONAL

The Netanya branch of the Israel Cancer Association will hold a gala fund-raising dinner and dance at the Gali Hotel in Netanya, on Saturday, August 21, beginning at 8 p.m. For tickets call (053) 22934.

Birth

SHAPIRO — Francine and Haim Shapiro, a son, brother to Alexander and Leora and grandson to Mrs. Elie Pelly, Bronx, N.Y. and Rabbi and Mrs. David Shapiro, Hollywood, Fla., at Hadassah Hospital, Mt. Scopus, August 12.

Soldier buried

HOLON (Itim). — Rav Turai Moshe Kadosh, who died of wounds received in a Beirut battle on Wednesday, was buried yesterday in the military cemetery of his native Holon. He was 20.

Kadosh and his comrades were forced to abandon their armoured personnel carrier after it took a direct hit from a PLO shell on a Beirut street. Kadosh was hit by fragments of a second shell, which landed nearby as he ran to summon help for one of the wounded men.

A graduate of the Yavne religious high school, Kadosh was considered an excellent soldier and was about to be sent for officer training. He leaves his parents and three brothers.

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El Al's workers said afterwards that the action was not aimed against the religious public but only against Agudat Yisrael, whose members were identified "according to their beards, black coats and fur hats." Other religious people were allowed to pass, they said.

Central division police chief Nitzav Gavriel Amri met on his own initiative with representatives of the airport works committees and warned them not to take any illegal action. The police, Amri said, would use "all the power at their disposal to maintain order within the airport," a police spokeswoman said.

The Histadrut warned El Al's workers not to repeat such action. The Histadrut's Moshe Levy summoned representatives of El Al's works committees and demanded that they refrain from "deviant" measures in their struggle.

The Israel Hotel Association meanwhile cabled Prime Minister Menachem Begin, urging him to prevent the grounding of El Al on Saturdays and holidays, a step which they said would deal tourism a deadly blow.

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U.S. ex-generals praise IDF conduct in Lebanon

By HIKSH GOODMAN
Post Defence Correspondent

TEL AVIV. — Six retired American generals, who have just completed a study tour to Israel and Lebanon, said that they were amazed at how little civilian damage was caused by the Israel Defence Forces in Operation Peace for Galilee.

Lt. Gen. (ret.) Harry Kinnard, a former commanding general of the U.S. Army combat development command, said that compared to anything in his military experience the damage to civilians was minimal.

His statement was supported by all the other members of the delegation which included Maj. Gen. (ret.) George Patton, Maj. Gen. (ret.) Richard Carr and Lt. Gen. (ret.)

Sidney Berry. Also in the group was Lewis Perlstein, a member of the U.S. Army national advisory board.

The retired generals, who were brought to Israel under the auspices of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, said that during their stay they had visited all the fronts in Lebanon, including Beirut and the Bekaa Valley, and that in all their contacts the IDF had been "candid, open and honest."

They said that the Israeli officers they had met with had openly shared technical and operational information on the IDF's performance, and that they in turn had made this information available to the American military attaché here. They would also brief top-level personnel in the U.S. when they return.

Kinnard said that he had found an IDF far superior to what

he had seen in 1973, and that the army's ability to put into practice the lessons of the Yom Kippur War was impressive. He and his colleagues were particularly impressed by the joint integration of forces displayed by the IDF and its use of new weapons.

They refused to be specific on what information Israel had given in terms of the performance of the Soviet T-72 tank or any other subject, but said that they had been given whatever information they had requested.

The most striking impression left by their visit to Lebanon, they said, was the damage caused to that country in seven years of civil war. "One can easily distinguish between new and old damage, and from what we saw Israel was extremely

cautious — even at the risk of its own men — to avoid civilian damage," Kinnard said.

Berry, a former superintendent of West Point Military Academy, said he was impressed by the medical treatment given by the IDF not only to the Syrian Army wounded, but to the terrorists as well. "They were flown out of the battle zone almost as quickly as the Israelis," he said, adding he had never seen anything like it in combat before.

Patton, who had praise for the Merkava tank but said that he did not think it suitable for the U.S., said he was impressed by the small amount of "maneuver damage." It was amazing, he said, to see how the IDF pushed the quantities of armor it did through populated areas, causing as little damage as it did.

Direct dialling now possible to Lebanon

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — A direct-dial telephone system has gone into operation linking Israel with thousands of phones in South Lebanon, the company that compiled the exchange's new telephone directory said yesterday.

Mashov, a micro-computer importing and service company, was commissioned by the IDF Signal Corps to compile the directory for Southern Lebanon, including IDF units there, security installations and civilian bodies the IDF must be in contact with. David Assia, a managing-director of the company announced yesterday.

Ya'acov Dienitz, a managing

director of Mashov, pointed to another project that it had recently completed: putting over 150 years of data into a micro-computer memory.

This job was commissioned by one of Jerusalem's veteran burial societies, the general Hevra Kadisha. By computerizing all their data Hevra Kadisha can now at a press of a button find the exact spot where a person was buried 150 years ago. Previously it could take hours just to find the correct ledger in which the deceased was listed.

Another use of the computer will be that the Hevra Kadisha can tell at a press of a button if a certain burial plot is occupied, reserved or available.

Special concessions for soldier students

Jerusalem Post Staff

The country's universities have reached agreement with the Israel Defence Forces manpower branch on a number of special concessions for students serving in the reserves and for demobilized soldiers about to begin university study, the Knesset Education and Culture Committee announced yesterday.

Committee chairwoman MK Ora Namir (Alignment-Labour) said the IDF has promised to release student

reservists by late October or early November, as long as the security situation does not worsen. The university year is to begin on October 31.

Registration procedures will be kept open for mobilized students and those intending to register for the first time. Last year's final exams will be given over again and will not include material studied in June, when the war began. Called-up students will also be given an extended deadline to pay their tuition.

Australian PM meets local Jewish leaders

CANBERRA (UPI). — Prime Minister Malcolm Fraser met with 18 leaders of Australian Jewry yesterday to discuss his strong criticism of Israel earlier this week.

He had described Israel's offensive on West Beirut as "short-sighted and foolish" and had called on major powers, particularly the U.S., to try and bring about an early end to the siege.

The president of the Australian Council of Jewish said after yesterday's

meeting that Fraser's motives were proper but the timing of his statement "was a little inappropriate."

Mark Liebler, president of the Victorian Zionist Council, said Fraser had assured the group there had been no basic change in Australia's policy towards Israel and it was still firmly committed to Israel's security, but Fraser had refused to retreat from his statements.

U.S. poll: 51% against IDF action in Lebanon

NEW YORK (AP). — A majority of Americans disapprove of Israel's military actions in Lebanon, according to the latest Associated Press-NBC News poll.

The nationwide telephone poll, of 1,594 adults in a scientific random sampling, posed this question: Do you approve or disapprove of the Israeli invasion of Lebanon? Fifty-one per cent said they disapprove, 25 per cent approved and 24 per

cent were either not sure or said they had not heard or read about the recent fighting.

The poll was conducted on Monday and Tuesday.

Among all respondents, 43 per cent said the U.S. is giving about the right amount of military aid to Israel, while 36 per cent said it is too much aid, 6 per cent said it is not enough and 15 per cent were not sure.

U.S. SUSPECTS

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"The result has been more needless destruction. The president made it clear that it is imperative that the cease-fire in place be observed absolutely in order for negotiations to proceed. We understand the Israeli cabinet has approved a new cease-fire, which is in effect. It must hold."

U.S. officials said Secretary of State George Shultz had received word early in the morning from Habib that the negotiations had been stopped because of the Israeli bombardment. Shultz later drove to the White House to consult with the president and other senior U.S. aides. Shultz was with Reagan when the president spoke by telephone with Begin.

There was a clear atmosphere of crisis here after word reached officials that the Habib negotiations had come to a halt. There was widespread anger directed at Israel, which was accused of deliberately trying to undermine the negotiations.

Upon learning of the Israeli shelling, Speakers told reporters, the president instructed U.S. ambassador to Israel Samuel Lewis to deliver a message to Begin. Speakers said the message expressed America's shock, demanding a cease-fire.

Begin was then in the midst of the Knesset debate, Speakers said, and could not receive the message from Lewis personally. It was, however, passed on to the prime minister by aides.

In the meantime, the White House spokesman said, the president decided to telephone Begin personally. Begin was busy when the call was placed, Speakers said, and the premier could not return the call for nearly one hour.

While Reagan was waiting for Begin, the president received another call, this time from Saudi King Fahd. U.S. officials did not disclose details of the Reagan-Fahd conversation, although everyone here presumed that the Saudi monarch had pressed Reagan to lean on Israel.

Reagan received Begin's call at 11:10 a.m. (17:10 Israel time), according to Speakers. They spoke for 10 minutes. Speakers said the president had learned only a few minutes before the call that the Israeli cabinet had agreed to cease the bombing of West Beirut.

Twenty minutes later, Begin called Reagan for a second time to inform the president that a full cease-fire had been ordered.

Israeli officials here maintained that the second conversation was more relaxed than the first, with the two calling each other by their first names.

U.S. officials, however, described the president as "more than frustrated" with Israel's behaviour. They said that substance and tone of the president's two written messages to Begin were "angry" and "firm." Neither was addressed "Dear Menachem" and signed from "Ron" — as in the past.

Habib had informed Washington earlier in the morning that he and his Lebanese colleagues were simply incapable of moving around the city to conduct negotiations with the PLO because of the Israeli bombing.

When Speakers was asked by a reporter whether any of the Reagan messages to Israel contained formal threats involving possible U.S. sanctions against Israel, the White House spokesman replied: "I won't discuss it," pointedly refusing to speculate about sanctions — one way or the other.



U.S. Admiral Hyman Rickover (right), on his first visit to Israel, shakes hands with Defence Minister Ariel Sharon. The 82-year-old admiral, who is known as the architect of America's nuclear-powered submarine programme, was invited to Israel by the U.S. Herut movement. As a guest of the Israel Defence Forces, Rickover has visited military installations, especially naval facilities. (Richard Charbit)

CABINET CALLS OFF

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Science and Development Minister Yuval Ne'eman, whose hawkish Tehiya faction joined the coalition very recently.

Almost the entire cabinet lined up against the defence minister, but for a variety of reasons, such as concern over Reagan's threat to bring Habib home; concern over military steps taken without authority; pent-up irritation about what they felt was Sharon's efforts to manipulate the cabinet since the hostilities began; and inklings Sharon was already preparing for military moves he intended to carry out, if and after the PLO quit Beirut.

Possibly the main reason that Begin and even Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir turned against Sharon was their feeling that Sharon had been so negative in his assessment of the Habib mission during recent cabinet meetings that they believed he might be hindering that mission subconsciously if not consciously.

Several ministers said that the stepped-up military pressure against the PLO in the past 10 days which according to intelligence sources finally persuaded the PLO to quit the capital, would now be counter-productive if it were carried on.

Sharon said that he supported the Habib mission and did not wish to send the IDF into West Beirut.

However, he argued, to make it unnecessary for the IDF to go in, all the preparations had to be made to do so.

Sharon was referring to the implementation of the plan, approved by a 10-against-8 majority some weeks ago, for chopping away at all those areas outside the heartland of West Beirut which he has argued many times, are "not Beirut." These areas include all the refugee camps and the Fakhani quarter where many PLO offices are located.

Sharon has been carrying out the approved plan, element by element, as if the Habib mission did not exist, or as if it were destined to fail. Each time PLO units violated the cease-fire Sharon was able to take another small step forward.

Sharon repeated his argument yesterday that all the IDF had done was to take steps to protect the lives of its soldiers against PLO fire. The lives of the soldiers were more important than threats from Washington, he said.

First to tackle Sharon yesterday was Ehrlich, who said the move for which he was requesting approval was out of the question at this time. Sharon was both surprised and aggrieved at this opposition, because Ehrlich has hardly ever stood in Sharon's way since the Lebanon war started.

Sharon was already in an irritable mood when Levy next accused him of flouting cabinet decisions and taking action that could easily torpedo the Habib mission. Levy said that Sharon had stripped the Cabinet in general, and the prime minister in particular, of their credibility by his actions around West Beirut.

Levy said that the authority of the cabinet was being undermined by Sharon and with it one of the government's constitutional foundations. The government could not afford to turn a blind eye to what was going on, he said. The fact that the government demanded time to think about military proposals did not mean that it was endangering IDF soldiers, as one newspaper

wrote last weekend, Levy said. On the contrary.

Levy said it was intolerable for ministers to learn from the media about IDF moves which not only should have been brought to the cabinet beforehand but which flouted cabinet rulings.

When Burg also criticized Sharon for ignoring the cabinet, Sharon — by this time losing his self-control — reproached Burg for "gathering information from his family and his daughter-in-law."

Burg's son Avraham, a lieutenant in the IDF reserves, has taken his criticism of the IDF policy as far as the prime minister.

Even Shamir, who has reportedly never criticized Sharon before in a session, asked the defence minister why he ordered the IDF to make a certain move on Wednesday without consulting Begin.

Shamir said he had received word from Washington, before Cabinet Secretary Dan Meridor brought in Reagan's message and read it out, that Habib was on the verge of calling off his mission and was making preparations to travel to Washington.

Sharon, who devised the entire Lebanon operation in close cooperation with Shamir, found nothing to reply to the foreign minister.

Temper flared further after the contents of the Reagan message was revealed.

Begin said there was no point in taking military action which gave Israel a minor advantage on the ground at best, and which could easily threaten relations with the U.S. There would be no more advances around West Beirut, he said, and no more aerial activity without Sharon getting his prior approval. Begin said that if need be he himself would ask the approval of the full cabinet to send the air force in. At the same time, he said, ways would be found of responding to PLO cease-fire violations.

Sharon commented that it was a mistake to bow to American pressure.

"When did I ever bow to American pressure?" Begin countered angrily.

Sharon said that the advice of the IDF commanders in the field had convinced him that it would be a bad mistake not to press onwards and take more ground around West Beirut.

Begin, who was losing patience by this time, told Sharon that he once told Defence Minister Ezer Weizman to represent the Cabinet vis-a-vis the army and not vice-versa. "Remember, the chief-of-staff is subordinate to you and not vice-versa," he told Sharon.

Begin's parallel was far out, however, because at the time Weizman and Begin were clashing over cuts in the Defence budget, and not about military operations.

Sharon began to answer back testily and Begin then told him to keep his voice down in the Cabinet room and realize that he had no more privileges than any other minister. Begin said that everyone in the cabinet has the same concern and the same responsibility for the lives of Israel's soldiers.

In view of the stories making the rounds in Israel and abroad, and in view of the way the government was reflected in the media, it should be made clear just how the country was being run, Begin said.

U.S. supports UN motion for observer force in Beirut

By LEON HADAR
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

UNITED NATIONS. — The UN Security Council last night voted unanimously in favour of a non-aligned motion calling on Israel to cooperate fully in the effort to secure the deployment of UN observers in Beirut. After securing some modifications of the draft, the U.S. voted in favour of the resolution.

The resolution also demands the lifting of all restrictions to permit the free entry of supplies to meet the "urgent needs of the civilian population in Beirut."

The draft resolution, sponsored by Guyana, Jordan, Panama, Togo, Uganda and Zaire, was modified to win American support. Thus, it does not include any reference to the possibility of imposing sanctions against Israel and only requests the UN secretary-general to report on the implementation of the resolution to the Security Council within three hours of its adoption.

Similarly, to gain American support, the resolution demands not only from Israel but "from all the parties to the conflict" to observe "strictly" the terms of Security Council resolutions "relevant to the immediate cessation of all military activities within Lebanon" and the Beirut area.

In a related development, a report issued yesterday by the UN Children's Fund (UNICEF) noted that the situation of children in Beirut is becoming "more tragic by the hour." According to the report, at least 100,000 mothers and small children remain in West Beirut.

The Security Council meeting was convened yesterday at the request of the Soviet Union. Several speakers attacked the Israeli military operations in Beirut, including the Egyptian representative who spoke of "Israeli aggression" committing "genocidal warfare" aimed at "annihilating" the Palestinian people.

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cerning the timing of the deployment of a multinational peace-keeping force in West Beirut. The PLO wants to see the force in place as it withdraws to prevent reprisals against the Moslem population and Palestinian civilians by Israeli-backed Christian militiamen.

The PLO and Lebanon's leading Moslem politicians are adamant that the PLO evacuation should be simultaneous with the deployment of a peace-keeping force made up of Americans, French and Italians. But, Israel insists the deployment begin after the bulk of the PLO's estimated 6,000-9,000 terrorists have left.

Sources said Arafat himself would be the last to leave Beirut at the end of the 15-day evacuation operation. He probably would take his private jet from Damascus to Saudi Arabia to congratulate Fahd on his ascension to the throne and then proceed to Tunis to set up headquarters at the Arab League, according to the sources.

Iraq and Algeria, meanwhile, yesterday added their names to a list of six other countries — Jordan, Syria, North and South Yemen, Sudan and Tunisia — which said they would accept PLO terrorists.

IAF BATTERS

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The first IDF report issued at 7 a.m. said the planes attacked gun, Katyusha and 130mm cannon emplacements in southern Beirut. But later in the day the jets spread to other parts of the Lebanese capital, covering huge sectors there with smoke. The IDF said four terrorist headquarters were destroyed in the Fakhani area.

All planes returned safely to base, the IDF said.

According to UPI, the Soviet Embassy compound on Corniche Mazraa was hit, but the extent of damage was not immediately known.

Shells and bombs also fell on densely populated areas that are almost exclusively inhabited by Lebanese, UPI said.

Observers noted a decrease in the amount of ambulance traffic during and after the raids. Hospitals have grown increasingly short of petrol during the siege, and officials have warned that unless the emergency supplies were allowed in, their services would be curtailed even further. AP reported from Beirut that Israel troops and armour have fanned out north and east of Beirut in what appears to be the start of a major campaign to drive out Syrian troops and the PLO from all of Lebanon.

Lebanese and western military sources said Israel is likely to follow up its attack on the PLO in West Beirut with a full-scale action against the Syrians and the remaining PLO men in Lebanon.

An Israeli spokesman confirmed that an armoured brigade has been deployed on the bluff of Akoura just south of the Syrian line northeast of Beirut, in the deepest Israeli push into Lebanon since the June 6 invasion.

The situation kept International Red Cross supplies of food, blankets and medicine in Jounieh. Five loaded trucks were seen there with the ICRC flags, and one of the workers told The Jerusalem Post it was too dangerous to cross.

The few people who dared enter the museum area dashed in their cars through the empty streets ignoring one-way signs in one house.

A man got behind a sand-bagged wall rubbing his eyes. He said shops were closed there for three days since the area had been shelled. He went to the street, pointed at holes and pocked-marked walls hit on Wednesday. Then renewed shelling sent him back into his shelter.

The fighting was especially heavy in the museum area where the IDF occupied seven more buildings during the previous night.

Eight soldiers had been injured in that area earlier when a shell hit their position. There had been continuous rocket-propelled grenade, Katyusha and light-arm fire there and the army occupied the buildings which control the area.

New tax law to reduce effects of inflation

Post Knesset Reporter

The Income Tax Bill (Taxation Under Inflationary Conditions) was passed into law yesterday without opposition, after a number of Amendment draft amendments were defeated.

The bill was presented by Finance Committee chairman Shlomo Lorincz, who explained its dual purpose: to neutralize the distorting influence of inflation on income taxes, and to abolish a number of existing tax shelters.

Mea Shearim man held over vandalized graves

A Mea Shearim resident was yesterday arrested and remanded, in connection with the desecration of the graves of former president Yitzhak Ben-Zvi and his wife Rachel on Wednesday.

The man's name was not released. Police are expected to apply today for an extension of his remand. Police said yesterday that the desecration, as well as the previous occasions on which the Ben-Zvi graves had been vandalized, was apparently not the work of an organized group, but rather that of individuals. The vandals left the signature "Asher," a religious extremist group, on the graves. (Itim)

The unveiling of the tombstone of

SANDER KOLITCH

MKs unite to denounce actions of El Al men

By ARYEH RUBINSTEIN
Post Knesset Reporter

Another special session of the Knesset will be held next Wednesday, this time to discuss the action yesterday morning by El Al workers who prevented ultra-Orthodox Jews from entering the passenger hall at Ben-Gurion Airport.

The special session was requested by 32 members representing six of the Knesset's eight factions. The petition they signed was initiated by Rabbi Menahem Hacohen (Alignment).

Earlier, at the opening of yesterday's special session, Deputy Foreign Minister Yehuda Ben-Meir (National Religious Party) proposed that Knesset Speaker Menahem Savidor recess the session for 15 minutes as an expression of protest against the "repugnant and despicable" action of the El Al workers.

Speaking on a point of order, Ben-Meir denounced the workers for "discriminating against Jew and

Jew." This "cancer," he said, must be nipped in the bud.

While Savidor did not agree to call a recess, he declared his revulsion at any act of discrimination in Israel. He had no doubt, he said, that in this he was speaking for the entire House. No one disagreed.

Most of the 32 signers of the petition were Alignment deputies. The only factions not represented in the petition were Shinui and the (Communist) Democratic Front for Peace and Equality. But Shinui later issued a statement criticizing the "illegal action" of the El Al workers.

Avraham Melamed (NRP), in a statement of his own, said that in a case like this "the knitted skull-caps" (i.e. the nationalist modern Orthodox) identify completely with "the black skull-caps" (the ultra-Orthodox).

"Today," he said, "we are all *kippot* (the long black suit-jacket worn by the ultra-Orthodox), we are all *stetlekh* (their fur headgear),

we are all *kippot shahorot* (their black skull-caps)."

The Knesset Economic Committee yesterday voted unanimously to urge the government to postpone the stoppage of Sabbath flights by El Al, which is due to take effect on September 1.

But only three coalition deputies were among the eight committee members (out of 15) present yesterday. No breaches of coalition discipline are anticipated when the Knesset Finance Committee votes on the question next week.

Under a court ruling the Finance Committee must approve the government's decision to stop El Al flights on the Sabbath and Jewish holidays.

Economic Committee chairman Gad Ya'acobi asserted at the meeting that the government's decision went beyond the minority opinion of the public committee that had studied the question and had recommended that the stoppage of Sabbath flights be introduced over a

four-year period.

Victor Shemtov (Alignment-Mapam) yesterday called on MKs of all factions to join in the establishment of a public committee to support the El Al workers in their struggle against the stoppage of Sabbath flights. Shemtov, in his press communiqué, did not dissociate himself from the workers' action.

Shulamit Aloni (Alignment-CRM) went further. In a press communiqué she said: "With 15,000 yeshiva students exempt from army service and with time on their hands to use violence against the secular public, it is unfair to criticize workers whose rights were disregarded on account of coalition agreements." But Aloni advised the workers to direct their struggle against the government and not against individuals.

The question of the El Al Sabbath flights will also be aired at next Wednesday's session.

Electric Corp. head quits because 'the workers rule'

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — "The general manager of the Electric Corporation is like a rodeo rider with his hands tied behind his back," Eytan Jacobson said yesterday as the board of directors unanimously accepted his resignation from the post.

He had been general manager for less than two years, and his job became untenable during the latest pay dispute in the company when the workers demanded his ouster and negotiated a settlement over his head with the board chairman. His resignation is seen here as a victory for the 8,000 employees.

The board had intended "to dispense" with his services at yesterday's meeting, but he pre-empted the move by tendering his resignation. It will go into effect on Sunday.

At the "calm" half-hour meeting the board appointed its chairman David Haguel, to serve temporarily as general manager until a replacement can be found. The board decided to take its time over the

search to make sure a suitable person is found.

Haguel expressed his hope that the corporation would now concentrate on its task of serving the public.

Jacobson said that "from strike to strike and agreement to agreement, the management has less say and the workers more."

He feared that it would not take long before the very thin balance still remaining between management and workers would be gone. The new general manager would need full and active support and cooperation of the board, which he had not received, he said.

He said he had resigned over the principle of who runs the company. While the corporation is the technological equal of anything in the West, he said, it suffered from the Israeli syndrome of labour-management relations, with the workers always having the upper hand.

Jacobson, who is 52, said he would now take a vacation before considering his future.

Pilots declare readiness to manage Arkia airline

By MICHAEL YUDELMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — In the latest move in the dispute over the Arkia management's determination to fire 21 pilots and shift another eight to ground duty, the pilots said yesterday that they are prepared to manage the company themselves.

At a press conference yesterday the pilots also said they would ground all Arkia's flights to Europe within the next few days if the airline continues using Maof aircraft and pilots on its Tel Aviv-Eilat line.

Pilots' works committee spokesman Dan Chamizer said that the pilots have applied for an operator's licence to run the airline, which he said they can do more efficiently and cheaply than the present management.

Arkia has been grounded by a management lockout since July 29, following sanctions by the pilots in

protest of the dismissals. On August 4 Arkia began using Maof planes to Eilat.

The pilots also charged that the management bought and sold aircraft on a speculative basis. As a result, they said, Arkia bought Maof planes which were dangerous to fly, and now cannot sell them, and many more Dash Seven planes than the company needed.

Maof's 707 and 720 planes are too large for Eilat's airport, and it is dangerous for them to land or take off there, Chamizer warned. The pilots' representatives also said an accident was narrowly averted on Maof's first flight to Eilat for Arkia, when two military planes almost crashed into the Maof plane because it was flying at the wrong altitude. The incident is being investigated by the Civil Aviation Board, Israeli Pilots Association chairman Ya'acov Gurli said.

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U.S. Christians: Lebanese welcome Israel

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The actual Lebanese situation bears little resemblance to some of the reports in the U.S. media, leaders of a visiting group of prominent U.S. Christians told a press conference in Jerusalem yesterday after returning from Lebanon.

During their three-day visit to Israel and Lebanon, the 46 members of the National Christian

Leadership Conference for Israel visited Tyre, Sidon and Beirut. They reported that their conversations with Lebanese civilians had convinced them that Operation Peace for Galilee was welcomed by the Lebanese people.

Conference President David Lewis quoted one Lebanese as telling him that "We would like them all to leave, including Israel. But Israel shouldn't leave in a hurry."

Army court rejects appeal of convicted looter

TEL AVIV (Itim). — A soldier convicted of looting was ordered to serve his entire five-month jail term, while another soldier found guilty of stealing money from a wounded man had his sentence reduced, in two separate decisions by the Military Court of Appeals yesterday.

The looter, who was convicted of taking as booty five broken wristwatches and some necklaces, was also found guilty of stealing looted money and jewelry from another IDF soldier. The court noted his record as a paratrooper,

but rejected his appeal for a reduction of sentence.

In the second case, a soldier who was responsible for safekeeping the belongings of men wounded on the battlefield was convicted of stealing 152,200 and \$400 from the shirt pocket of a wounded soldier. The shirt was stored in a warehouse to which the thief had the key.

Although the three-judge bench called the theft a "heinous crime," they reduced the soldier's jail sentence from 18 months to one year in prison, plus a one-year suspended sentence.

Tax deadline extended for the self-employed

Income Tax Commissioner Dov Neiger yesterday announced the postponement of the deadline for self-employed persons to file income tax returns till September 15. The postponement — the second this year — was made necessary by the Knesset's passing only yesterday the tax regulations for fiscal year 1981. The self-employed usually must file by the end of July.

Navy petty officer jailed

TEL AVIV. — A petty officer in the navy who was convicted of extorting \$10,000 from a sailor under his command had his sentence confirmed yesterday in the Military Appeals Court in Tel Aviv.

Rav-Samir Rishon Rafael Alissi was sentenced to six months in prison and another 12 months suspended for three years. He was also demoted to private.

Meet Israeli leaders at The Tel Aviv Hilton Hotel

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Art teachers to convene

Jerusalem Post Reporter
Over 400 artists and educators will take part in a six-day International Seminar for Education Through Art opening Sunday in Jerusalem under the sponsorship of the Education and Culture Ministry.

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Rabin: Begin got the world preoccupied with Palestinians

By MARK SEGAL
Post Political Correspondent

Former prime minister Yitzhak Rabin maintains he does not understand the reasons for the pressure exerted by the IDF in recent days in West Beirut.

In an interview in the Knesset members dining-room shortly before yesterday's special session, Rabin held that the question of the PLO's exit from Beirut "was not a matter of if, but when." The speedier an agreement was reached the better it would be for all, he said, especially because of the saving of lives.

"Hence I fail to grasp why there should be an intensification of military activities these days, because the PLO is not an address for clarifying matters on the current agenda. So why exert military pressure on them, if, say, we don't want the French to come in together with UN observers?" he asked.

Operation Peace for Galilee would go down in history as the first Israeli-Palestinian war, he said, and as a natural result of this the Palesti-

nian problem has been thrust to the forefront of the international agenda.

While the PLO's military had been crushed, in parallel fashion the Palestinian issue had taken on a new urgency, the former Chief-of-Staff said. Here he quoted what U.S. Secretary of State George Shultz had told him during his recent visit to Washington: "It is the heart of the problem that we face today in our efforts to bring peace to the Middle East." While the PLO may have been crushed in Lebanon, it has a preferred position in the Arab world as the sole representative of the Palestinian people, a concept, Rabin pointed out, which had now become accepted by Egypt, which was not the case before June 6.

Looking beyond Beirut, Rabin believed that the diplomatic agenda would be occupied by two subjects — solving the problems of Lebanon and the Palestinians.

"I came away from Washington with the distinct impression that while the Reagan administration does not link the two issues, they

lean towards simultaneously tackling the Lebanese problem and reviving the autonomy talks. I raised the matter with Shultz after hearing from Senate Foreign Affairs Committee chairman Charles Percy and other senators of their wish to insist on a linkage between the end of fighting in Beirut and an overall settlement of the Palestinian problem, as urged by Cairo," Rabin related.

When he asked Shultz about the administration's response to the senators' demand, his answer was, "there will be no linkage between Beirut and the Palestinian issue. However, the latter has acquired considerable urgency on our agenda."

Rabin also had asked Shultz whether the basis for tackling the Palestinian issue would continue to be the Camp David framework. "His reply was in the positive, adding significantly 'We haven't got anything better now.'"

As to immediate American moves, in Rabin's considered view the U.S. intends that the projected

international force will not only serve to cover the PLO's exit "but to neutralize the prospect of any Israeli dictation of the choice of the next Lebanese president." Rabin pointed out that the international force due to enter Beirut next week would be on the scene during the crucial month leading up to the presidential elections of September 23.

"We must also keep in mind that the parliament that does the actual election is situated in West Beirut. Hence in my opinion the U.S. is fashioning a situation whereby the international force will be capable of neutralizing Israeli influence on the election's outcome. The Americans might use the Israeli presence to help push out other foreign troops, or at least reach an understanding with the Syrians regarding the composition of the new Lebanese government and a new order in that country."

Rabin was convinced that the Syrians had acquired considerable goodwill in Washington by their

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IDF hands museum back to its curator

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Beirut's Lebanese National Museum, which has been closed for the last seven years because PLO and Syrian forces had been using it as a military installation, was handed over yesterday by the IDF to museum curator Dr. Haris Boustani.

Speaking before TV cameras, Boustani expressed appreciation of the way the IDF had treated the museum, and expressed severe criticism of the way the PLO and the Syrians had violated it and its contents, calling it "a crime not only against the Lebanese people but also against the civilized world."

Bond leaders pledge nearly \$4m. for canal

After a four-day visit to Israel, 26 members of the Israel Bond Founders' Emergency Delegation pledged to purchase \$3,945,000 in bonds to provide seed money for construction of the Mediterranean-Dead Sea canal, delegation chairman David Hermelin, of Detroit, said yesterday.

The 34-man delegation was composed of Canal Founders, each of whom has undertaken to purchase a minimum of \$100,000 in Israel Bonds to help the canal get started.

The delegation will meet in Washington at the Israel Bond International Conference on August 26 "to affirm in the U.S. capital our resolve to strengthen Israel and to sell the additional \$100 million in bonds for the organization's emergency drive to help Israel maintain her infrastructure development agenda," Hermelin said.

Bomb dismantled in Hare Krishna house

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Police yesterday dismantled an explosive device placed in a building used by the Hare Krishna sect in Kiryat Tivon. The device contained 250 grams of explosives, police said.

Begin gets his birth certificate from Poland

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Letters by Menachem Begin requesting that the University of Warsaw allow him to pay his tuition in instalments are among a collection of documents on the prime minister and his family that have been presented to him by the Polish government, *The Jerusalem Post* has learned.

Three files, each bound in leather and imprinted in gold letters, were transmitted to Begin by Dr. Alexander Schindler, president of the (Reform) Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

Schindler's assistant, Dr. Philip Hiat, collected the files in Poland while arranging for a travelling exhibition of over 200 items of Judaica covering 1,000 years of Polish Jewry. One file contains documents relating to Begin himself, another to his sister, Rahel Halperin (now living in Israel), and a third to his younger brother Herzl, who was murdered in the Holocaust.

The first two files were presented by Schindler over

three months ago, and the third — about the sister — was given to Begin when the premier was in the U.S. in June. The premier was reportedly "very moved" by the gifts — which were sent with a personal message by Poland's Religious Affairs and Interior Minister Jerzy Kubersky.

The Begin file includes several letters, written every semester, in which he says he cannot afford to pay his tuition all at once since his father, president of the Jewish community of Brest-Litovsk, was not paid regularly.

It also includes his birth certificate and his university grades — all originals. According to Rabbi Hiat, Begin received "excellent marks" and was the "best in his law class."

Kubersky also included an album of photographs of places of Jewish interest in Poland. Begin's file and that of his brother are being kept in the prime minister's residence.

Bus service not yet back to normal

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Israel's bus service will return to normal only once the war is over, Egged spokesman Gideon Talmor told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday.

He said that a large number of buses and bus drivers are still busy working for the IDF in Lebanon. Drivers on the home front are working longer hours, he said, and office and garage workers, who have bus driver's licences, are now putting in stints behind the wheel.

Concerning reports that many

bus drivers have been caught trying to smuggle goods out of Lebanon,

Talmor said the rumours were baseless. He said that he had only heard of two smuggling incidents involving bus drivers, which, he said, were insignificant considering the hundreds of buses going in and out of Lebanon every week.

Talmor emphasized that the bus cooperative takes these violations seriously. Any member caught smuggling is also disciplined by an internal tribunal of the cooperative, following his civilian or military trial.

Agrexco's exports totalled \$170m. last year

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Agrexco exported agricultural produce worth \$170 million during the 1981-1982 export season, compared to \$154m. the previous year, general manager Yisrael Arkiz told company representatives from abroad yesterday.

Arkiz said exports would increase by 23.5 per cent to \$210m. during the 1982-1983 export season, which begins in September.

He said that about \$12 million of next year's figure will comprise new exports such as prawns, which are

now being exported after four years of research and development.

Agrexco expects to export at least 20 tons of fresh and frozen prawns, he said. If this export catches on in foreign markets, local breeders are confident they will be able to produce annual yields of 400-500 tons.

CARMELIT. — Haifa's Carmelit subway was closed for nearly seven hours yesterday due to a technical breakdown. Buses had to cope with the extra pressure while the fault was being repaired.

Knesset to debate problems of elderly

Post Knesset Reporter

The plight of elderly persons in need of care will be discussed at next Wednesday's special Knesset session.

Aviva Nof (Likud) and 36 other MKs signed a petition on the subject, which was submitted to the Speaker.

This is one of three subjects to be discussed at the special session. The other two both involve the planned shutdown of El Al flights on the Sabbath (see separate story).

Meshel meets unionists from Southern Lebanon

Jerusalem Post Reporter

SIDON. — Yeroham Meshel, secretary-general of the Histadrut, met yesterday with trade union representatives from Southern Lebanon. The two-hour meeting was held here in the building housing the IDF unit for civilian assistance to the Sidon, Tyre, Jezzine and Nabatieh-Begoufort area.

Meshel invited the Lebanese trade unionists to visit Histadrut headquarters in Tel Aviv.

Meshel also called on Dr. Farid Sirhan, a member of the Lebanese parliament in Jezzine.

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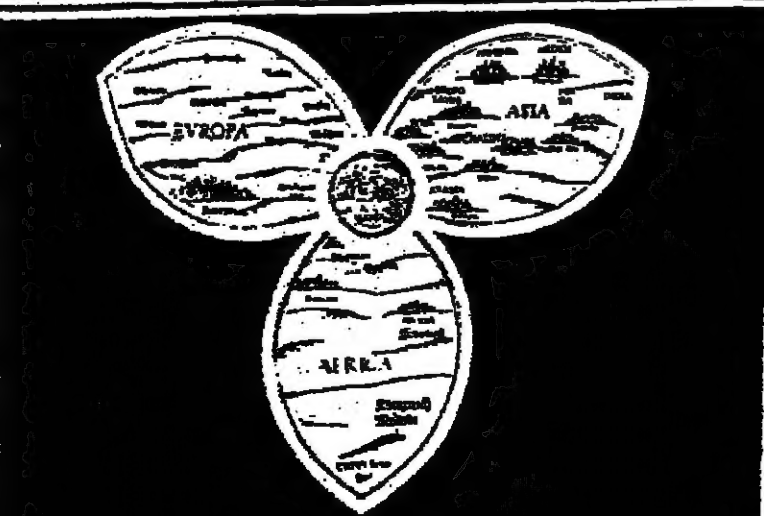
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Druse and Phalange clash in Lebanon

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ALEY. — Druse villagers and Bashir Jemayel's Phalangist militiamen have clashed bloodily in recent days in the vicinity of Aley and Bahamdoun. A number of persons on both sides have been wounded in several clashes involving light arms and hand grenades, but there have been no fatalities.

Druse villagers yesterday blocked off the entrance to several of their villages in the region east of Beirut along the road to Damascus, in protest against harassment by the Phalangists.

Two French ministers at odds over tougher rules on political asylum

PARIS. — The French justice and interior ministers were reported yesterday to be at loggerheads over whether to curb admission of exiles to halt the current wave of terrorist killings.

Interior Minister Gaston Defferre made an unscheduled trip to southern France to urge vacationing President Francois Mitterrand to approve plans for an all-round tightening of entry visas to foreigners seeking political shelter.

The meeting was held while Justice Minister Robert Badinter, head of the extreme liberal cabinet faction, condemned in a *Le Matin* newspaper article any tampering with legislation on the right of asylum.

Defferre rushed to Mitterrand's country resort of Latche as Jewish and non-Jewish groups of all political colouring clamoured for a better control over admission of foreign elements disturbing public parading as immigrants.

"Generosity must not be mistaken for laxness," cautioned Marcel Debarge, national secretary of the ruling Socialist Party. "All foreign elements disturbing public peace must be taken back to the frontier."

"Liberty cannot be defended by measures killing liberty," Badinter wrote in *Le Matin*. Pointedly signing

his article as a "member of the Jewish community." "It makes liberty die, and ensure the victory of terrorism."

The debate on how to handle security became a national issue because of the sudden upsurge in terrorist attacks in France, most of them connected with the Middle East crisis. Six persons were killed and 29 wounded this week alone in Paris.

Badinter's statement was clearly directed at Defferre's plans for a strict control of foreign visas for exiles. The two men had clashed before with Badinter succeeding in blocking Defferre's plans for larger powers for police forces battling terrorism and generally violence and vandalism.

France is proud of its record in welcoming refugees of all political persuasions, but other European countries have recently expressed concern that it has become a safe bolthole for violent terrorists.

Commentators say a special cabinet meeting on Tuesday to discuss ways of curbing terrorist violence is bound to consider Defferre's comments on asylum.

Badinter, though a prominent member of the Jewish community, appeared to represent the minority of public opinion. Most Jewish organizations have firmly come out

for tougher security measures and Premier Pierre Mauroy had to be protected from angry, jostling Jewish youths at memorial ceremonies for the six people killed on Monday, in the attack on a Jewish restaurant.

Police announced a ban on the stationing of any vehicle alongside embassies and other "sensitive" buildings following Wednesday's booby-trapped car blast that set afire the Iraqi consulate and cultural centre.

About 3,000 people gathered Wednesday night near Notre Dame Cathedral to protest international terrorism at a memorial to the 125,000 French Jews who were deported to Nazi death camps during World War II.

"We cannot take justice into our own hands," Alain de Rothschild, one of the foremost leaders in the Jewish community, told the crowd.

"The creation of self-defence militias would only create violence and counter-violence," Rothschild urged French officials to reconsider the nation's liberal policy of granting political asylum and to increase controls at frontier points.

Simone Veil, the former president of the Common Market parliament, also said she was against the formation of such militias. Veil, a Jewish survivor of the Auschwitz death camp, said Jews must not fall into the terrorist's trap and answer violence with violence.

The four-hour demonstration, which ended peacefully at midnight, was held despite Defferre's plea to cancel it because of fears it might provoke more violence.

A similar demonstration in Marseille, which drew about 1,000 people, also ended peacefully. (UPI, AP, Reuters)

Israel Embassy bombed in Guatemala

GUATEMALA CITY (Reuters). — A bomb exploded near the Israel Embassy here Wednesday night and another bomb outside a synagogue was defused, police said.

A spokesman said there were no casualties.

He added that a leftist guerrilla organization was responsible for the

attack on the embassy, but did not give any details.

Last January terrorists in a speeding car hurled a bomb at the Israel Embassy causing minor damage to surrounding buildings.

Leftist guerrillas in the past have accused Israel of supporting Guatemala's military government in its fight against Communism.

U.S. urges total destruction of stored chemical weapons

GENEVA. — The U.S. yesterday called for the destruction within 10 years of stockpiles of chemical weapons and the plants that manufacture them.

U.S. delegate Louis Fields told the 40-nation disarmament committee that the chemical weapons ban treaty sought by the U.S. must provide for prompt and detailed declaration of all production plants. It must also include a ban on new production plants.

"Declared stockpiles and facilities should be destroyed over a 10-year period according to an agreed schedule and agreed procedures," Fields said.

Fields coupled his proposals with a renewed protest against the alleged use of chemical weapons by Soviet-backed Afghan government troops fighting opposition guerrilla

forces in Afghanistan.

"I wish I could report that this heinous practice has ceased," he said. "Unfortunately this is not the case. The use of prohibited toxin weapons and lethal chemical agents in Southeast Asia and chemical warfare in Afghanistan continues."

Fields cited the Soviet Union, Laos and Vietnam as using chemical weapons.

Soviet negotiator Viktor Israelyan last week told the conference the Soviet Union "has never, anywhere or at any time," used chemical weapons.

Negotiations on a chemical weapons ban have been going on for the last five years at the disarmament conference, but progress has been blocked by Soviet resistance to on-site inspections. (Reuters, UPI)

Trial of Iranian ex-minister to open

NICOSIA (AP). — Former Iranian foreign minister Sadegh Ghotbzadeh will go on trial tomorrow on charges of plotting to assassinate his country's religious leader, Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini.

The official Islamic Republic news agency reported yesterday that the trial was to open tomorrow morning at Teheran's Evin prison.

The trial will be presided over by a noted religious theoretician, Hojatolislam Mohammad Rezaei. Ghotbzadeh was arrested last April and, in subsequent weeks, ap-

peared on the state-run television and "confessed" that he was involved in a conspiracy to bomb Khomeini along with members of Iran's ruling Supreme Defence Council.

His trial was first set for mid-July but was postponed at his own request, said the agency without elaboration.

It added that Iranian reporters with valid press cards will attend the trial sessions, but did not say if foreign correspondents will be allowed in the courtroom.

Emanah Women Visit Lebanon

Emanah Women of America, holding their Convention in Israel, toured Southern Lebanon yesterday. They expressed shock at the enormous ammunition tunnels of the PLO, and were deeply touched by their visit to the thousand-year-old synagogue in Sidon. The once-magnificent structure is being partially restored by IDF soldiers who come there to pray. Of particular interest to the religious Zionist women were the many headscarved students manning tanks in Lebanon. The young soldiers put spare time to use in Talmud study together, with visiting *rushet yeshiva*, and with other interested soldiers.

An earlier highlight of the Convention was the visit to Efrat, the planned city now being built in the Etzion bloc, high in the Judean Hills. The group picked its way around stones and thorns to the site of Efrat's child care center, the new project of Emanah Women of America. Among the speakers was Rabbi Shlomo Riskin who will soon be coming to Efrat, heading an *oliva* group of 200 families from among his congregation, New York's Lincoln Square synagogue. Most of Efrat's projected 25,000 residents will be observant Jews from Israel and all over the world.

In Efrat, Emanah-Israel and its supporting organizations in 16 other countries continue their long tradition of establishing quality services in education, social welfare and comprehensive outreach programs which stress religious and nationalist values.

Emanah's world office is at 26 Ben Maimon in Jerusalem.

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Britain's ailing medical services

LONDON (UPI). — It was a bad day to be ill in Britain yesterday. But just how bad depended on how ill you were and where you lived.

Hospital treatment under the state-owned National Health Service was "patchy," a Health Department spokesman said on the fourth day of a five-day strike by some 600,000 health workers.

Treatment was restricted to accident and emergencies only in 42 of England's 192 health districts, the spokesman said. There were disruptions in a further 99 districts.

In five big towns — Rotherham, Sheffield, Doncaster and Liverpool in the north and Southampton on the south coast — "it was difficult to deal with emergencies," the spokesman said.

Most of those on strike are ancillary workers, porters, cleaners, cooks, laundry workers, technicians and ambulance drivers.

That meant nurses and management working harder and patients doing without.

• In Rotherham, management were operating the laundry machines.

• In Southampton, patients ate takeaway fish and chip lunches brought in by nurses.

• In Glasgow, Scotland, police helped ferry emergency cases to hospital when 200 out of 260 ambulance drivers went on a 24-hour strike.

• In Belfast, there are delays of up to three months for routine operations.

• In Cardiff, management were considering calling in troops because of a shortage of drivers to ferry linen supplies and patients.

The health workers, among the lowest paid workers in Britain, are pressing for a 12 per cent pay rise. The government has offered 6 per cent for ancillary workers and 7 1/2 per cent for nurses, saying it can offer no more.

Sadat's widow to accept American peace award

CAIRO (AP). — Jihan Sadat, widow of the late President Anwar Sadat, plans to receive an American Society of Travel Agents peace award on behalf of her husband, her spokesman said yesterday.

Spokesman Ahmed Fawzi said in a telephone interview that the exact date of Mrs. Sadat's flight to Miami, Florida, has not been decided, but will follow the end of a one-year mourning period. Sadat was shot at a military parade last October 6.

The award was offered to Sadat by the American Society of Travel Agents (ASTA) to honour his peace initiative with Israel.

Row spreads 'from seacoast to Silesia'

WARSAW. — From the days of the mass strikes just two years ago this month until the present, supporters of the Solidarity union have made Poland's national anthem their ironic theme song of protest against the Communist regime.

Now the Solidarity underground has come up with new words to the anthem, praising Solidarity leaders and condemning the government, and the outraged authorities have leaped upon it with bitter condemnation.

State-run television and newspaper commentaries this week expressed shock and dismay over what they called the profaning of one of the most sacred symbols of Polish patriotism.

"Poland has not yet perished, while we are still here," runs the first line of the new text — left un-

changed from the original.

"We will fight freedom with the cross and with strikes because Zbyszyk Bujak (Warsaw Solidarity leader now in hiding) has taught us how to win," the new version runs. "To free the motherland without prisons and army, region by region, Polish Solidarity," it goes.

And it concludes with the refrain, "March, March, Walesa, from the seacoast to Silesia, lead us to victory of Polish Solidarity."

The real anthem goes, "Poland has not yet perished, while we are still here. What other powers have taken from us we shall take with our sabres again."

The anthem, said Polish television, "is the only thing for us that is almost holy... It is hard to believe, but some people have decided to use this magnificent song for their

own political goals."

In another development, about 1,000 people demonstrated after the funeral of the son and daughter-in-law of Szczecin Solidarity chief Marian Jurczyk this week, informed sources said.

It was the first reported demonstration of such size in the port since two days of protests on May 3-4.

The death of Jurczyk's family members first became known Monday when the newspaper reported that "Dorota J." had died in a hospital from injuries suffered in a fall from a third-storey apartment window at 1 a.m. on August 5. The paper said Adam J. "committed suicide" about five hours later by jumping from a fourth-storey window of a different apartment building. (AP, UPI)

Italy's Socialists refuse coalition

ROME (Reuters). — The Socialist Party, power broker on Italy's political scene, rejected an invitation yesterday to resurrect the five-party coalition government under Prime Minister Giovanni Spadolini which it toppled last week.

The Socialists' refusal dashed Spadolini's hopes, expressed on Wednesday, of renewing the previous coalition under his leadership.

Spadolini, given the task of forming Italy's 42nd post-war government, discussed his proposals for a revival of the old coalition with Bettino Craxi, the Socialist Party leader.

The Socialists withdrew from Spadolini's 13-month-old government last week, dissatisfied with the junior role they played in formulating government policies. They were convinced that early elections before the end of the legislative term in 1984 would boost their parliamentary strength.

South Korea asks dialogue with North

SEOUL (Reuters). — South Korea yesterday renewed a call for an unconditional resumption of stalled Red Cross talks with North Korea aimed at arranging reunions of divided families.

Yoo Chang-Soon, newly appointed leader of the Southern Red Cross, also urged the Communist North to return 35 fishermen abducted by the Northern navy off the east coast of the peninsula a month ago.

Yoo, a former prime minister, accused Pyongyang of holding more than 400 other southern fishermen kidnapped since the end of the 1950-1953 Korean war.

His statement was issued to mark the 11th anniversary of Seoul's proposal for Red Cross talks between the two sides to help reunite an estimated 10 million family members.

In 1973, North Korea called off the main talks initiated under the proposal as well as a parallel political dialogue, demanding that the South scrap its national security law and other anti-Communist arrangements.

Indian journalist wins Magsaysay prize

MANILA (AP). — Arun Shourie, executive editor of the Indian Express chain of newspapers in India, has been named winner of the 1982 Ramon Magsaysay award for journalism, literature and creative communication arts, the foundation announced yesterday.

It cited the 40-year-old journalist as an "incisive chronicler of Indian public life," and recognized him specifically for "employing his pen as an effective adversary to corruption, inequality and injustice."

Shourie is the third Indian this year to receive what is considered the Asian counterpart of the Nobel Prize.

Manibhai Bhimabai Desai and Chandni Prasad were earlier named winners of the 1982 awards for public service and community leadership.

The awards were instituted 25 years ago to perpetuate the memory of late Philippine president Ramon Magsaysay, who was killed in a plane crash. Each of the awards carries a citation, a gold medal and \$20,000 in cash.

CANDIDATE. — Indonesian President Suharto said yesterday he would stand next year for another five-year term as head of state. His re-election next March by Congress is a virtual certainty.

Condemned mercenaries put trust in clemency

VICTORIA, Seychelles (AP). — Four mercenaries, who were sentenced to death for their part in the bungled coup attempt here last November, said yesterday that they were withdrawing their appeals in the belief that President France Albert René will spare them.

Speaking at a news conference, the men said they expected René to follow the example of South Africa, which granted clemency to three black nationalist guerrillas in June. René had urged South African Prime Minister P.W. Botha to commute the trio's death sentences.

South African Jeremiah Puren, Briton Bernard Carey and Zimbabwean Aubrey Brooks and Roger England were sentenced to

hang after being convicted of treason.

"If President René has asked the South African government to spare the lives of three African National Congress militants sentenced to death a few months back, and their sentences have been commuted, we have reason to believe that ours can be commuted too," said Brooks.

The mercenaries said another factor in the decision to withdraw their appeals was lack of sufficient funds for legal fees.

There was speculation here that René would soon announce that clemency was being granted. But all four condemned men denied that any deal had been struck with the government over the withdrawal of their appeals.

Kenya asks for extradition of plotters from Tanzania

NAIROBI (UPI). — The Kenyan government yesterday applied for the extradition from Tanzania of two low ranking air force men, believed to be key figures in last week's failed coup.

The two men, Sergeant Pancras Oteyo Okumu and Private Hazeleki Ochuka, two air force enlistees, and the discovery of an arms cache at the University of Nairobi have reinforced the government's theory that university radicals joined ranks with junior elements of the air force in plotting the coup.

More than half of Kenya's 2,100 man air force has been arrested and most of the others confined to barracks. Those who have been cleared of any implication in the plot resumed limited flying duties yesterday, an army spokesman said.

Four parliamentarians, including the secretary of the ruling Kenya African National Union Party's

parliamentary caucus, and a student leader have been jailed under strict public security laws that provide for unlimited detention without trial.

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FBI probes cause of blast aboard Hawaii-bound jumbo

HONOLULU (AP). — Authorities were trying to determine who was responsible for an explosion aboard a Pam Am jumbo jet that tore a hole in the floor of the plane, killed a Japanese teenager and injured 15 other passengers.

A team of Federal Bureau of Investigation experts on explosive devices was en route from Washington yesterday to help local agents investigate the blast, which rocked the jet as it flew over the Pacific Ocean 225 kilometers from Honolulu carrying 285 people on flight from Tokyo to Hawaii.

The experts will try to determine what type of device exploded, how it was constructed and how it was detonated "to get an insight into who may have done this," said William Ervin, special agent in charge of the FBI's Honolulu office.

The blast went off near the seat of the Japanese youth, ripping a hole through the floor of the near passenger cabin into the cargo hold. It did not penetrate the plane's outer skin, but blasted 14 rivets from the outside of the fuselage.

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Sports

Shlomo wins again

TORONTO (UPI). — Shlomo Glickstein overpowered South African Danie Visser 6-4, 6-3 to win his second round match of the Canadian Open Tennis Championships. Visser is ranked 72 on the ATP computer, and Glickstein 31.

Others to go through the second round with ease were John McEnroe, Ivan Lendl, Mats Wilander and Jimmy Connors, but Visser Glickstein had a harder time to squeak through. The capacity crowd was delighted by Canadian Martin Wistenhof's victory over American Ben Testerman 2-6, 6-2, 6-2. No Canadian has previously got through to the third round.

Pakistanis flay English bowlers

LONDON (AP). — Mohsin Khan, struck a magnificent unbeaten 159 yesterday as Pakistan took control on the opening day of the second cricket test against England at Lord's.

Mohsin became the first Pakistan player to score a century in a test at Lord's. He helped to give the tourists a realistic chance of scoring. Pakistan's second win in 35 tests against England, as Pakistan reached 295 for three at the close. Mohsin's efforts being bolstered by Mansoor Akhtar (57) and Zaheer Abbas (44 not out).

England, without their captain Bob Willis, who failed a fitness test because of a neck injury, were skippered for the first time by 25-year-old David Gower. Paceman Robin Jackman replaced Willis.

Pakistan won the toss, Imran Khan electing to bat as the visitors took full advantage of a helpful pitch.

Openers Mohsin and Mudassar Nazar put on 22 runs in the first three overs and that set the pattern for the day. Some downright sloppy fielding did not help an England attack debilitated by the loss of Willis, its main strike bowler.

Mohsin's century was his second in Tests, and is the highest Test score to date of the stylish 27-year-old.

His innings so far includes 18 boundaries. He reached his century in 178 minutes off 153 balls.

With Haroon Rashid and Imran Khan still to bat, Pakistan seems set to obtain a huge first innings total.

One man in a boat

FALMOUTH, England (UPI). — A British adventurer yesterday completed a record-breaking 51-day solo Atlantic crossing in a boat no bigger than a bath-tub.

Tom McClean, 39, reached Falmouth from Newfoundland in his three-metre home-made sailing boat Giltspur, to be greeted by his wife Jill, a bottle of champagne and an armada of well-wishers.

In 1969, McClean rowed across the Atlantic in 70 days.

Skier comes down

8,068m. mountain

ISLAMABAD, (Reuters). — A 45-year-old Swiss man yesterday claimed the world record for skiing down a mountain 8,068 metres high.

Sylvain Saudan, who lives at Chamonix in France near the Swiss border, said he skied down the Gasherbrum One peak in Northern Pakistan on July 27.

He added that the descent took nine hours from the top to a base camp on the mountain where the snow-line ended.

Sanchez killed

MEXICO CITY (Reuters). — World Boxing Council (WBC) featherweight champion Salvador Sanchez of Mexico was killed early yesterday in a road accident northwest of Mexico City, police said.

A police spokesman said Sanchez was driving a sports car along the Mexico City-San Luis Potosi highway when he was involved in a collision with a lorry.

They said he died instantly.

Baseball

Wednesday's games

American League
Toronto 4, Boston 3
Detroit 3, New York 2 (12 in.)
Chicago 4, Baltimore 1
California 6, Minnesota 3
Kansas 5, Cleveland 0
Seattle 2, Oakland 0
National League
San Francisco 8, Atlanta 4 (12 in.)
Montreal 3, Chicago 0
St. Louis at New York, p.m., Radio
Philadelphia, Pittsburgh 1
Houston 3, San Diego 0
Cleveland 2, Los Angeles 1

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Building the future

By CHARLES HOFFMAN / Jerusalem Post Reporter

THERE IS a lot of reconstruction to do in the towns of South Lebanon, and Israeli voluntary groups can best contribute to this effort by sponsoring specific projects such as repairing schools, clinics, hospital facilities and the like.

This was the message conveyed this week to a delegation organized by the Jerusalem Municipality, by communal leaders and Israeli military commanders who toured Tyre and Sidon.

The delegation went to find out how the money collected in the Lebanon Campaign — established by an interfaith Jerusalem Public Committee under the aegis of Mayor Teddy Kollek — could be best employed.

The delegation, headed by committee coordinator Aharon Sarig, decided to recommend that the committee fund the reconstruction of a laboratory in the Ein Hilwe government hospital in Sidon and a clinic in the village of Aishiye, near Nabatieh.

The delegation was composed of municipal welfare and engineering experts, representatives of the Jerusalem Contractors' Association, and the district head of Kupat Holim. This reporter accompanied the group.

The first stop on the tour was a meeting with the leader of the powerful Khalil clan in Tyre, Khalil el-Khalil, formerly Lebanon's ambassador to Bonn. The clan is the

dominant group in the Shia community around Tyre, and their leaders were forced to flee to the north during the seven years of PLO rule. We met el-Khalil in the seaside villa that serves as his headquarters, guarded by some 30 Kalashnikov-toting members of the Shia militia.

El-Khalil stressed that Tyre's most urgent need was the reconstruction of its homes, roads and institutions damaged both during the recent fighting and over the past seven years.

Taking up the theme of the ancient connection between the kings of Tyre and Jerusalem, Hiram and Solomon, he expressed hope that Israel and Lebanon were now in the process of creating ties "based on friendship, exchange of assistance, cooperation, and mutual respect. This will promote the cause of peace."

He mentioned four projects in Tyre where Israeli assistance could be of help: helping to plan and finance a new neighborhood for about 150-200 families who lost their homes; building a new fruit and vegetable market; constructing two new roads in the town; and replanting and expanding the town's public gardens.

The delegation was accompanied by the head of the local IDF unit for aid to Lebanese civilians, Sgan-Aluf Shabtai Brill, known to many Jerusalemites as the former military governor of Bethlehem and as the

developer of the Mishkenot Haroim, the Beduin folklore centre. WE ALSO went to the Maronite neighbourhood near the port to meet with Bishop Yousef Khoury, spiritual leader of Maronites in South Lebanon and Israel. He recalled his 30 years of cooperation with Israel and thanked Teddy Kollek for helping to repair a Maronite church in the Old City recently.

He said that families now homeless would need better lodgings in the coming winter months, and said that these families still lacked household goods and cooking utensils.

The greatest need in his community, however, is the rebuilding of Aishiye, much of which was destroyed and many of whose inhabitants were massacred by the PLO during the civil war. He responded favourably to Sarig's proposal that the Jerusalem committee rebuild the clinic there.

Moving up the coast to Sidon, the delegation met with two Israeli doctors serving with the IDF aid unit, Dr. Ted Tulchinsky and Dr. Ya'akov Adler of the Health Ministry. They described the efforts of the aid unit to get local medical services, most of which are private, functioning again after the fighting.

The biggest local problem, they said, was the government hospital of Ein Hilwe in Sidon, next to the Palestinian refugee camp of the same name.

The PLO used the hospital as a



Jerusalem delegation representing the interfaith committee for aid meets in Sidon with Tat-Aluf David Maimon (at the end of the table, who heads the IDF unit for aid to Lebanese civilians)

fortified position during the bitter battle over the camp area, and much of its equipment was destroyed.

They said that the American Joint Distribution Committee had provided funds for five new dialysis units, due to start up this week, which would relieve some of the local kidney patients of the need

to go Israel for treatment. A new X-ray unit was to be provided by the Israeli health ministry.

The Jerusalem Committee could be of assistance, they said, in reconstructing and equipping a new laboratory for the hospital, which serves mainly Moslems.

The commander of the aid unit for South Lebanon, Tat-Aluf David

Maimon, told the delegation that it was best to drop such grandiose ideas as "adopting" an entire town like Tyre, and that it was unwise to hand out food, clothing or money to the population, which resented being treated like charity cases.

To create a positive basis for future relations with the Lebanese, he said, it was best for voluntary ef-

forts such as the interfaith committee to concentrate on specific projects that would be remembered by the local population.

He said that the committee's proposals were in the right direction and that it was "very important" to get the Ein Hilwe hospital working again quickly.

(More on Lebanese aid on page 9.)

THE LONDON-based International Institute for Scientific Studies recently designated Israel as the world's "fourth strongest military power." The compliment brought no gratification to Amos Horev, outgoing President of the Technion, Israel's Institute of Technology, the country's oldest university and principal source of engineers.

In an interview with *The Jerusalem Post* on the eve of his retirement after nine years as president, Horev recalled that the same "world power" euphoria turned our heads after the Six Day War of 1967 "and we paid for it dearly."

What Israel should do, after proving its technological excellence in the current war, is to "take stock of our real status." Contemplating the country's educational trends, he finds no grounds for complacency, but many for concern.

By now it is obvious that the only "natural" resource Israel is blessed with is the potential of its manpower, "Jewish brains" if you wish. However, as Horev sees it, we are well on the way to frittering away this advantage unless something is done, quickly and energetically to reverse the trends.

He notes that just 20 years ago, at the end of the 1961/62 academic year the total number of students graduating from the country's universities with their first degree, was 1255 of whom 360 graduated as engineers and 162 in the natural sciences.

At the end of the last school year, the total graduating student population had exploded to 9,000 but the number of engineers had gone up only to 1,400 with another 1,400 natural science bachelors.

"In other words the real student explosion was in the liberal arts, and though no doubt this contributed to the raising of the cultural level (and provided us with one of the world's highest per capita rates of lawyers) it did not give us the engineers and natural scientists the country must have to assure its economic growth, advance towards economic independence and of course its future security. If we are to survive as a viable nation the picture must be reversed, Horev holds, and since it takes as much as a whole generation to achieve this, there is not a moment to lose. We must review our national priorities and the criteria by which our limited resources are expanded on education."

Dangerous compliment

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Amos Horev

(Naomi Zur)

Horev took up his post at the helm of the Technion on the eve of the Yom Kippur War, and is handing over at the end of the Lebanon War. In 1973, Israel lost dozens of planes to the Russian-made surface to air missiles, in this war the Air Force broke the Syrians' Russian-made air

defence system. "We learned a lesson from the 1973 failure, we must now learn the lesson of the 1982 success, in both cases it's technology," He stresses.

HOREV FEELS that the Lebanon war again taught us the crucial im-

portance of technology. "Our success against the Russian air defence system was especially outstanding and its meaning goes far beyond the immediate results." He warns that Soviets cannot afford to take the defeat lying down, as it questions their entire anti-aircraft technology. While TASS may publish reports about "dozens" of Israeli planes downed by their SAM's, the Soviet leadership knows the real score and they will do everything they can to mend the hole Israel tore in the fabric of their system. The Lebanon war also proved the efficacy of other Israeli developed armaments, including the Merkava tank "together they underlined the tremendous contribution of Israeli science and technology to the military achievements of the war," he stressed.

These technological achievements did not happen overnight. "They are the result of 30 years of hard work. It is my hope that our policy makers will take the lessons of this war into account when they determine national priorities and the distribution of resources. We must have a change in these in order to reach our national goal of excellence," Horev said.

What he feels is called for is a revision of our high school curriculum and steps to foster motivation among the young to opt for technology and science studies. "Unfortunately, I am unable to point to any meaningful steps in this direction during the past nine years. The number of high school graduates is not growing and the only solution is to effect a change in the distribution of graduates who do go on to higher learning."

The contribution of engineers and scientists to the economy speaks for itself, with \$1.6 billion worth of R and D products exported last year. Their contribution to the country's security was graphically illustrated during the Lebanon war. Horev would find it interesting to make a study of what other disciplines have contributed to the well-being of the country.

"We shall go on lauding technology, but if we don't do something to reverse present educational trends there just won't be the technologists to achieve it."

We praise science and technology as instruments to improve our society, economy, security and living standards but we avoid drawing the proper conclusions.

"The recent high school reform designed to reduce social gaps by giving everybody an easy chance to make it to *bagrut* (matriculation) graduation, made it possible for youngsters to choose easier subjects."

"The result was that at the Technion we must teach freshmen subjects, like physics and English, which they should have learned in high school. This is absurd. I welcome every effort to close social gaps and raise social levels but they must not come at the price of our physical survival," Horev stressed. "We must find other ways."

BORN IN Jerusalem 58 years ago, Horev will begin a new career in October. He served with the *vaunted Palmach* in pre-state actions, and after the War of Independence earned his Master of Science degree in mechanical engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He returned to the IDF and rose to the rank of *aluf*, commander of the Logistics Corps, as well as Chief Scientist for the Defence Ministry. He was awarded, together with the "Dean of a Technion Laboratory" the 1978 Security prize, but even now the reason for the award is secret.

Horev's natural inclination is to go into industry, and he has had offers, but he has not yet made his decision. He conceded that he is particularly interested in nuclear power and once headed a national board to investigate the problems and prospects of nuclear power for Israel.

"I have reached the conclusion that from the economic point of view, N-power is unequivocally justified for us. Unlike the Dead-Sea canal whose electricity costs are still unclear, N-power can be the cheapest source of electricity for Israel. The problem is our present political difficulties, and for the moment it is hard to see how we will be able to purchase a nuclear reactor from the West, especially as we have not signed the treaty for the prevention of nuclear proliferation (NPT). I am not saying we should, I am only stating the difficulties."

Speaking with Horev one is impressed by the fact that Israel certainly has "fourth world power" sized problems. But that letting "fourth world power" rating go to our heads is not the way to start tackling them.

Radiant as the sun

TORA AND FLORA / Louis I. Rabinowitz

Portion of the Week: Re'eh, Deut. 11:26-16:17. Haftarah: Isaiah 54:11 — 55:5. The verse discussed is 54:11.

THE HAFTAROT, the Prophetic readings for the seven Sabbaths after Tisha B'Av constitute the "Seven of consolation," in contrast to the three which precede them during the three weeks of mourning from the 17th of Tammuz to the 9th of Av which are known as "The Three of Calamity."

The haftarah for this Sabbath opens with the words "Behold, I will set thy stones with *pach*." That *pach* was a vegetable dye is beyond question, but whatever it may be, by setting one's stones with it, there is no doubt but that in Biblical times it was used extensively by women to make the blue makeup with which to this day women adorn their eyes. In Jeremiah 4:30 the prophet tells the people that all their efforts to find favour in the eyes of their enemies by beautifying themselves externally will be in vain; their lovers will still despise them, and the adornments are "clothing

themselves with scarlet, and decking themselves with gold (ornaments) and enlarging their eyes with *pach*."

The word occurs, however, in another context. Of the five daughters of Job the second was called Keziah, which is the fragrant *kezi* nassia, while the third was called Keren Ha-Pach (Job 41:24). Despite the fact that the Talmud states that the former was so called "because she gave forth a fragrance" the *nassia* in Babylon, since *keren* means "a horn," an Amora there explained the name to mean that "her complexion was that of the horn of an antelope."

When that interpretation reached the authorities in the Land of Israel they laughed derisively, since the antelope's horn is black, and as a result another Babylonian Amora gave another interpretation to the effect that it means that her complexion was that of the *zohar*, which Rashi explains to mean *arcus*.

It is true that *keren* means a horn, but in the Bible (Exodus 34:29,30 and 35) the root is used as a verb. It states that the face of Moses *karan*, he was radiant as the sun.

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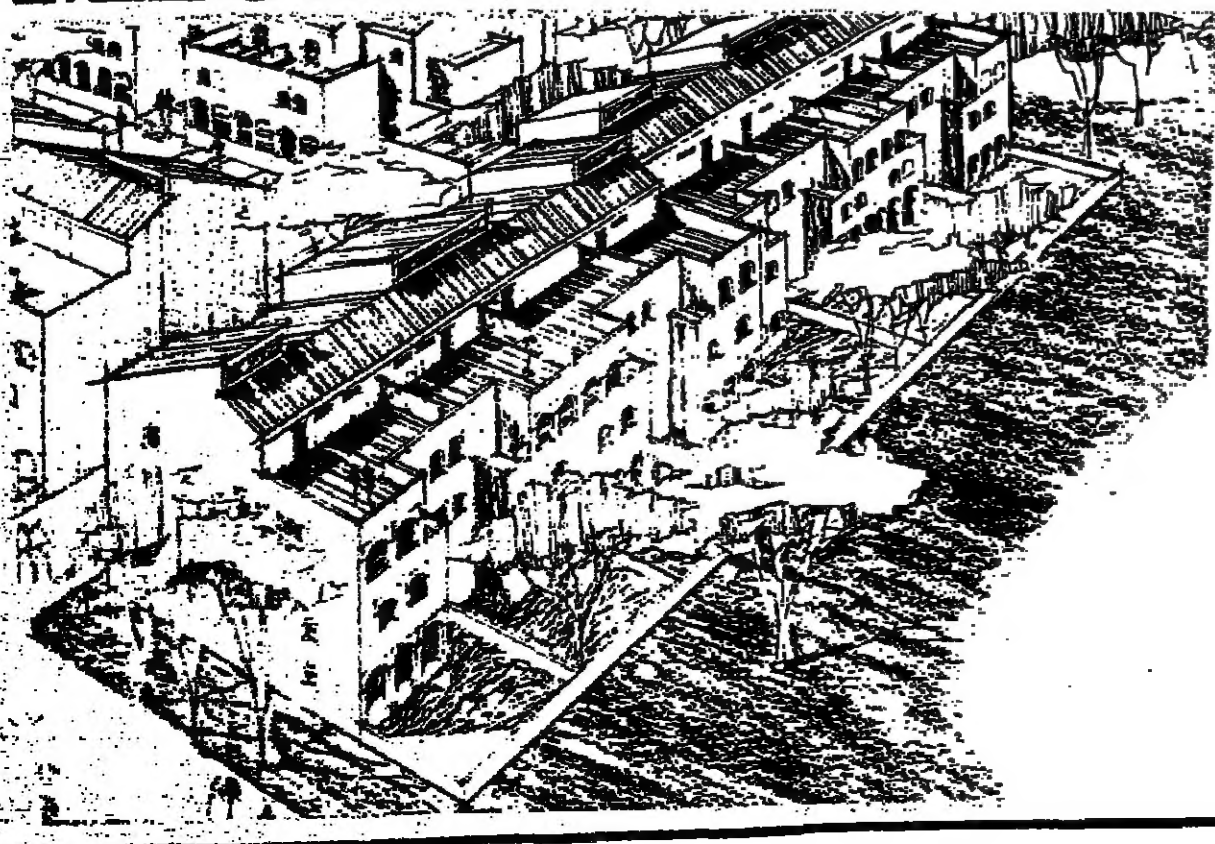
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Ugly signs of anti-Semitism

By CAROLYN LESH

A MASSACRE in an ancient Jewish neighbourhood of Paris has focused attention on the haunting topic of anti-Semitism in France and other European nations. Attacks against Jews have increased since Israel's move into Lebanon, and the worst was the attack on Monday at Paris' best-known Jewish restaurant, Jo Goldenberg's, in which terrorists killed six people and injured 21 others.

Anti-Semitism is a sensitive subject in France, the homeland of the turn-of-the-century Dreyfus Affair and the Vichy Government, which sent thousands of Jews to death camps during the Nazi occupation. Jewish leaders called Monday's massacre the bloodiest anti-Semitic outbreak in France since World War II and scheduled a mass demonstration on Wednesday to protest international terrorism.

Ugly signs of anti-Semitism also have surfaced in Italy, West Germany, Austria and Switzerland since Israeli troops moved into Southern Lebanon on June 6.

"Jews to the ovens," shouted Italian demonstrators, as they marched past a synagogue in Rome during a June 25 nationwide strike, which included calls by union leaders for Israel to withdraw from Lebanon.

"All Jews forbidden to enter,"

read a sign a grocer placed in his store north of Rome last week. The grocer told police the sign was intended to show his "solidarity with the heroic Palestinian people."

BLEEDING animal organs and pro-PLO slogans were left at offices of U.S. firms and consulates attacked by masked youths in West Germany last month. An explosion at Munich's airport near the check-in counter of El Al on July 31 injured seven people, and last week youths threw bags of paint at Israeli tour buses in Berlin.

A few days after the Israeli invasion, the Austrian home of famed Nazi-hunter Simon Wiesenthal was bombed, while terrorists in Switzerland damaged the U.S. and Israeli consulates in Zurich. Monday's Paris massacre marked

the first time people were killed in the recent wave of anti-Semitism.

"Judaism is not a religion of vengeance, but we hope that these attacks will be repressed," Paris' Chief Rabbi Alain Goldman said at a memorial service for the six French victims on Monday night.

French President Francois Mitterrand and Interior Minister Gaston Defferre attended the service, held at a synagogue near Jo Goldenberg's restaurant. They were heckled by several hundred demonstrators, most apparently Jewish, who shouted "Mitterrand is a traitor" and denounced French press coverage of the Lebanese crisis.

The Socialist French president, his face ashen, spoke briefly outside the synagogue.

"I have always been and am a

friend of the Jewish community of France," said Mitterrand, who earlier this year became the first French president to visit Israel.

The restaurant massacre was the fourth anti-Semitic attack in Paris within eight days. The three previous attacks were against a Jewish hardware store, a car owned by an Israeli Embassy employee and a bank that was owned by Jews before it was nationalized earlier this year.

Responsibility for those three attacks has been claimed by the extreme leftist French terrorist group *Action Directe*, but the three-year-old anarchist group denied involvement in Monday's assault. Police have said they have no solid evidence to identify the attackers.

"Even if the perpetrators of this crime are unknown, it is certain that they are part of international terrorism for which the Palestine Liberation Organization always has been the inspiration," a statement from the Israeli Embassy in Paris said.

The PLO's office in Paris decried the attack and released a message to its leader, Yasser Arafat, had sent to Mitterrand.

"It is with great pain and deep emotion that I have learned the sad news of the criminal attack which killed French citizens of the Jewish faith," Arafat's message said. "At a time when we face a massacre, we can understand the true sense of the suffering."

The attack was a painful reminder of previous anti-Semitic outbreaks in France, whose 700,000-strong Jewish population is the fourth largest in the world, outnumbered only by those in the U.S., Israel and the Soviet Union.

Two years ago, four people were killed and 12 injured when a dynamite-rigged motorbike exploded outside a Paris synagogue. No group claimed responsibility for the attack and there have been no arrests.

During World War II, the Vichy collaboration government deported 125,000 French Jews to Nazi concentration camps. Most never returned.

Previous to all this was the infamous Dreyfus case which indirectly led to the founding of modern Zionism.

AS A FOREIGN VISITOR, and therefore someone who might be regarded as objective, it seems to me that Israelis, Jews in general, and Arabs, including Israeli Arabs, would do well to consider the history of the Mideast conflict and its causes when they argue about the Israeli campaign in Lebanon.

The same goes for those Europeans and Americans who claim a certain "high-mindedness" in their approach to the matter. It would help them all to appreciate the real possibilities of a solution not only of the PLO-Israeli conflict but of the general Mideast problem, including the cruel plight of the Palestinian people.

Let me get right to my point. The enemy of Israel is not, basically, any Arab nation. Israel is certainly not the enemy of any Arab nation. The ultimate enemy of both is a collection of European leaders, the most influential of whom at present are the Soviets, and a handful of Arab leaders cultivated by the European ones.

The Israel government's quick and positive responses to the European leaders' ostensibly moral objections of certain European leaders to Israel's moral and humane campaign in Lebanon suggests that this is quite clear to those presently responsible for Israel's conduct. But it would be well to substantiate the argument and extrapolate from it for those who have doubts about it or who, confronted by a forest fire, cannot see those who actually started it, escaping through the smoke.

What the world is presently focusing its attention on is a potential Israeli liberation of all Semitic peoples from anti-Semitic, European manipulative control. Neither culturally nor characteristically are the Jewish and Arab peoples natural enemies. On the contrary, on these grounds they are natural allies, brothers and sisters. Accordingly, there is a great and long-standing

A negative balance

By ABBA EBAN

ISRAEL WOULD BE stronger, prouder, less anxious, less mournful and more secure today if the war had ended in the first week without the unhappy episode of the encounter with Beirut. The balance sheet would have shown a clear surplus of advantage. The northern parts of Israel had been removed from the range of PLO weaponry, a "mortal blow" (in Mr. Arik Sharon's words) had been struck at the PLO, the Syrian missiles had been eliminated, and Israel's deterrent capacity had been immensely strengthened by the inspired performance of the Israeli forces, especially in the air. The Palestinian illusions about Syrian and Soviet solidarity had been exploded by the apathy of Damascus and Moscow. If the Israeli government had been true to Mr. Begin's promise to the nation and the world on June 8 and had "ceased fighting" after creating the 40 kilometre buffer zone there could have been no shadow on our success. Moreover, these objectives had all been achieved in an atmosphere of domestic consensus and international understanding.

A responsible government makes a clear distinction between "vital national interests" which must be defended or promoted regardless of the pain and sacrifice that they entail — and "interests" which are desirable in themselves but are basically optional in the sense that even if they are postponed or renounced, the nation's sovereignty, territorial status and remoteness from physical assault would still be intact. The removal of the PLO from Beirut belonged to this category of secondary interests. It was desirable but not crucial. (Its desirability had more to do with the interests of Lebanon than with those of Israel, and even now the prospects of real independence and stability for Lebanon are obscure).

But evacuation through agreement is certainly preferable to the wicked idea of a bloodbath in West Beirut in which this marginal interest would have involved a terrible carnage of Israeli troops as well as of innocent civilians. That such an idea was seriously in prospect carries a reproach to many Israelis and "gallant" supporters abroad who advocated it, usually from positions of physical non-involvement. We are now in the paradoxical situation of "gratitude" to President Assad of Syria for having averted this tragedy.

As it is, we are in a position for the first time to strike the balance between gain and loss, in the Beirut operation, and it shows a tragic deficit. The gain lies in the transfer of a few thousand PLO terrorists from a place where they were unable to do Israel harm to a place where they may or may not be immobilized from militant action. This is a gain principally in comparison with the contingency of the "military option"; in larger terms we have no basis on which to reach a positive judgment. It may even be the case that the bulk of the PLO activists will be geographically nearer to Israel than they were in Beirut!

What is the price that we have had to pay for this marginal and tentative gain?

The first answer comes in terms of human lives. Something precious and irrevocable has been lost in

return for something that was optional and provisional; for everything in the human drama is provisional except for the reality of death. The Beirut war does not add Jerusalem to Israel as did the war of 1967, nor does it save the nation from a danger of being overrun by powerful armies, as did our action in 1973.

There are other items of loss in the balance sheet. The death and mutilation of thousands of Beirut civilians hangs in the air of Israel's history with incalculable possibilities, which are by no means confined to the prospect that "everything will be forgotten". It may or may not. In the meantime our relations with Egypt make a mockery of the peace treaty idea; they are not far different from our relations with Nicaragua until they were broken last week: there is absence of war, and a formal diplomatic framework without living content. The prospect that Cairo will become the command headquarters of the PLO does not bode well for the future of Egyptian-Israeli relations. Relations with France and with Europe as a whole are seriously lacking in mutual confidence. The United States will accept the abandonment of the "military option" with relief, but there is a lack of trust in the recent dialogue, and there is a certainty of American "Palestinian" initiatives which will bring no joy at all to the Likud government, and perhaps little to the rest of us.

But the chief casualty for Israel, beyond the battlefield itself, lies in the transformation of what the word "Israel" conveys to many of its friends as it flashes across their consciousness. The immediate association in recent weeks has been the crash of steel against buildings, the screams of bereaved and wounded, the children lining up for water denied by an Israeli "blockade," the rat-infested garbage heaps, the collapse of those thin layers of civility which shelter human beings against their own human vulnerability. It is little short of idiotic to believe that this movement of opinion could have been arrested by technical means such as a transfer of responsibility for "hasbara" from one Cabinet desk to another, or the enlistment of people abroad skilled in the propagation of exaggeratedly favourable publicity for tooth-paste or automobiles. The erosion has occurred among the well-informed, not the ill-informed. A few weeks ago I would have included in any short list Israel's friends such men as Senator Tsongas of Massachusetts, Prime Minister Fraser of Australia, John Chancellor of ABC who made the pathos-ridden broadcast from the rubble of Beirut ("this is not the Israel that I used to know"), Peter Shore of the British Labour movement and, of course, President Mitterrand of France. These people did not need a visit by an "information ambassador" who had done a short course in American institutions, nor is the trouble that they did not read enough pamphlets, or that they might have been convinced by exposure to the persuasive talents of Mr. Shmuel Katz (who has "persuaded" 120 members of the Israeli Knesset not to agree to his advice or policy — an unexampled achievement in Israeli politics and jour-

nalism). What has shocked the friends and millions of others in the world is their difficulty in answering a simple question: what exactly is Israel about? Does it seek security and peace, or does it also seek the domination of others and the imposition of its own views and interests, especially in the Palestinian question? The rhetoric of Mr. Begin and Mr. Sharon is the counterpart to the thud of shells and the screech of bombs — strident, compellingly hostile, denunciatory, self-assertive, xenophobic and infinitely self-congratulatory.

The governmental response to these discomforts has been to refer to Coventry and Dresden. This involves a surrender of any attempt to commit Israel to an independent Israeli system of values. More serious, it implies that the idea of a "Jewish" state carries with it no obligation to probe what the word "Jewish" conveys in terms of moral particularity and intellectual originality.

The reference to Coventry is especially shocking. We know who carried out the bombardment of Coventry. That they can be invoked as an analogy for any Israeli action or argument is beyond understanding.

It is true that delegations of diaspora Jews came to Israel, or rather to Lebanon, and applauded the decision to make war as enthusiastically as they would have applauded a decision not to make it. But the reflective obligations of the Beirut war have not yet been discharged. They cannot for long be delayed. The decision-making process in Israel comes out badly bruised.

For Israel's most urgent task is to say good-bye to Beirut. We have nothing good to do or to expect there. It is foreign soil, haunted by dark memories. Mr. Begin "invited" the Prime Minister of Australia "to visit Israel and Lebanon". He has no right to "invite" anybody to Lebanon because Lebanon is not his home. There is an embarrassing vulgarity in holding UJA fundraising appeals in the Beaufort stronghold. Lebanon's future, its institutions, its communal schisms and rivalries, its restaurants and night-clubs, its view of the world and of its own place within it, are none of our business. Israel should be brought home as soon as the safety of the 40 kilometre zone is permanently assured. To impose a Phalangist regime upon the Lebanese people underwritten by Israeli guns would compound the damage inflicted by the shells and bombs. To be drawn into the contentiousness of Lebanese politics, to linger among the ghostly facades of its smoking, gutted buildings, to indulge the tutelary instincts of a "paramount" power, to repeat the grotesqueries of Mr. Menzies' relief programme, would be the greatest folly. We should wish the people of Lebanon well and assure them that for many Israelis who could not come to expression they are not merely of their proximity to a few thousand terrorists. They are a value in their own right. We should wish them well and leave them free to decide their own future, including the future of their relationship to Israel and to the Arab world of which they are inherently a part.

Possible solution

By BRUCE HOLBROOK

potential for the emergence of a powerful and culturally rich league of Semitic nations in the Middle East and, by extension, North Africa. And as far as the Arab and Jewish peoples were concerned, that was the original intention. It still could be, if that great independent variable, the United States, were to overcome its desire to qualify as politically "mature" according to the obscene standards of Europe, and realize that it is in its own interest to foster such a development.

IN MARCH 1919, the head of the Arab delegation to the Versailles Peace Conference, Emir Faisal, wrote to the Zionist leader Felix Frankfurter:

"The Arabs, especially the educated among us, look with deepest sympathy on the Zionist movement. Our deputation here in Paris is acquainted with the proposals submitted yesterday by the Zionist Organization to the Peace Conference and we regard them as moderate and proper. We will do our best in so far as we are concerned to help their attainment; we will offer the Jews a hearty welcome home... I think that neither can be a real success without the other."

Here was the precursor of Anwar Sadat. The PLO leaders also have their precursors, both of them educated in Nazi Germany and put into positions of power by its covert admirer and hesitant enemy, Britain. They were the first to incite Palestinian Arabs against Jews.

One, Haj Amin el-Husseini was a young man appointed by the British Mufti of Jerusalem, over the heads

of his non-radical superiors. The other, Fawzi el-Kawjil, as leader of the Palestine "Liberation Army" led this Transjordanian force, originally trained by the British and conveniently left not in Jordan but in Israel, in its unsuccessful attempt to "drive the Jews into the sea," launched as soon as the British coyly withdrew and Israel declared the State.

Meanwhile, France artfully created a country peopled by vying Christian, Moslem and Druse groups, Lebanon so as to guarantee internal conflict and thus subordination to French colonialism; and the United Nations enthroned a non-Palestinian in the Arab Palestinian state, Jordan, so as to assure homelessness to future emigrant Arab Israelis. Into the breach jumped the Soviet-controlled PLO leaders with a dead-end, once Nazi now Communist, pitch of anti-Israeli genocidal hate.

ISRAEL'S destruction of the PLO would be a liberation of the non-Jordanian Palestinian people from calculated betrayal, bloodshed and humiliation in the interests of Slav Communists.

That European and, tentatively, American leaders now have the "courage" to recognize that the non-Jordanian Palestinian people, after years of such confusing and brutalizing experience, do at last regard the PLO as their government in their way of saying that the European manipulated poisoning of Palestinian hearts has finally borne its intended fruit.

Let all true Arab leaders, whether present or potential, follow in the footsteps of Emir Faisal and war-

enlightened Anwar Sadat, whose people have already begun to benefit from Israeli food-producing technology and industry, and whose successors as a consequence have secure positions.

Let Arik Sharon's honestly proposed solution to the plight of once-Israeli Palestinians — a Palestinian — and not PLO-controlled Jordan, be pursued. It is identical to the one hypocritically proposed by the UN after World War II and now deemed "fanatical" and "predatory" by European authorities on political morality.

Let King Hussein, if he wishes to become truly great, greater even than Sadat, offer to defer to a non-PLO Palestinian regime, and so become a real king.

Let the U.S. realize that an unconditionally pro-Israeli political and economic policy would also be an unconditionally pro-Palestinian people policy, an unconditional pro-Arab policy, and an Anti-Soviet policy that would restore America's dignity and its influence over Europe.

The Egyptians and Saudis have already realized it, as is testified by the rational and peaceful intentions to of their leaders. Let the Syrians next in line for a humiliating defeat by Israel, follow suit.

Let Lebanon's leaders have the courage to rid themselves of the degenerative effects of French colonization and create, with the opportunity that Israel has given them, a country for their people.

And let the Palestinian people in Lebanon and Israel fight for a truly pro-Palestinian leadership, grasping the opportunity, generously provided by General Sharon's crushing pressure on their traitorous leaders, to have, instead of kidnapped, brainwashed and inhumanly-sacrificed child guerrillas, sons and a home.

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NORMALLY, a 27-year-old student of industrial design at the Bezzeel Academy of Art and the father of a baby daughter would not attract any attention. The fact that he saw service as a reserve lieutenant in the paratroopers in the battles against the Syrians on the eastern front during the first stages of the war and is now active in the Soldiers Against Silence movement is more interesting, but hardly remarkable given the increasing dissent.

But Avraham Burg is also the son of a senior member of Prime Minister Menachem Begin's cabinet, the longest-serving cabinet member in the present government, and the leader of the National Religious Party, Dr. Yosef Burg.

"I have no doubt that my sudden popularity and the particular attraction of my protest stems from my family association and that makes me very uncomfortable," said the tall young man, whom his friends call Avrum. Freed from active service as a result of a back injury sustained during training, Burg volunteered to join his unit at the beginning of the war and saw action around Lake Karoun. The strain aggravated his back trouble and he now walks with the aid of a stick.

"I had to make my own personal reckoning," Burg says, referring to

the limitations his family affiliation posed for him. "In the final analysis, personal experience and conviction is stronger than anything else."

Before making any public announcement of his views, he informed his family, but he says that such discussion as ensued rarely went beyond a statement of known views. My father and I share the same points of departure and the same aims. — We differ over the ways of achieving them. After all, we are a democratic family."

THE ADHERENCE to Soldiers Against Silence of the son of a cabinet minister, a graduate of a high-school yeshiva who still wears a kippa and quite naturally quotes verses from the Bible to support his views, casts doubt on the argument that disapproval of the war stems largely from the ideological hostility of the opposition and its followers, to the Likud government.

Supporters of the ultra-nationalist line and of Gush Emunim have testily questioned young Burg's religious commitment and the validity of his military service, betraying their own discomfort at challenge of their views posed by his statements.

He insists that since he "went public" with his opposition, he has received scores of messages of sup-

PERSONAL PROTEST

BY DAVID RICHARDSON / Jerusalem Post Reporter

port from friends and family members, many of whom share his religious views, as well as from other officers and soldiers in the reserves and even in the permanent army. He has not, however, heard from any of his school friends, the majority of whom one assumes support Gush Emunim.

Burg describes himself as previously "politically indifferent" certainly holding no brief for the present government. The war in Lebanon was his first war. What made him dissent publicly was "the terrible killing on all sides — particularly of innocent civilians. I cannot get out my mind's eye the image of children with their hands held up high in surrender because they were scared of me."

Despite visible discomfort, he cannot help recalling the famous

photograph of the Jewish boy in the Warsaw ghetto with his hands raised in front of German soldiers.

THE YOUNG lieutenant says that what bothers him is the moral aspects of the war; this, he stresses, derives from principles he absorbed from his home. For example, the civilian casualties challenge a basic concept he was raised on: "Whoso sheddeth man's blood, by man shall his blood be shed: for in the image of God made He man." (Genesis, 9:6)

Another of his misgivings is based on the assumption that if the PLO were indeed holding Jews as hostages in Beirut and using them as cover in attacking Israeli forces, the IDF would have found different methods of dealing with them without such a terrible cost to the



Avraham Burg (Rahamim Yisraeli) civilian population.

Burg and two of his colleagues in the movement visited the prime minister at the beginning of the week and presented him with a petition signed by almost 2,000 men from elite units in the army demanding the resignation of Defence Minister Ariel Sharon.

The demand was made, he said, because the minister was using the IDF to pursue political ends rather than to ensure the security of the state. Service, particularly in the volunteer units, was based on the concept of a "no-choice-war," and "Sharon is responsible for the crisis of confidence and motivation in the army we represent."

Avrum readily agreed that by itself, 2,000 is an insignificant number, but he argued that when one realizes that it represents almost two brigades of elite troops, one is talking about a serious phenomenon.

SOLDIERS Against Silence grew out of a petition drawn up by members of a paratroop anti-tank unit which had seen action against the Syrians. On the very day of their release from active service, they called for the resignation or dismissal of Sharon.

Udi Shiloni, a samal rishon (staff sergeant) who in civilian life, is a director of a theatrical agency, said that unlike Burg's, his unit did not lose one man and hardly came in contact with civilians.

"Our protest was emotional. It grew out of a realization during the war that the dream of Israel on which I was raised was being trampled on and destroyed."

Shiloni too, was not really politically active before the war, but he had regarded the Likud's rise to power as a healthy expression of democracy.

"Our concern is with the army," he said. "Sending soldiers to war without a national consensus undermines the basis of their service. Israel's consensus on security is based on the question of survival and that is why dissension within the army takes on a special significance. It isn't service in Vietnam."

"It's the duty of the majority to maintain the consensus. There are people who hold strong left-wing views who still regard it as an honour to serve in the army and who identify with its role in society. Their disapproval of this war destroys the basis of service in the army."

Both Shiloni and Burg emphasized that it was understood in the movement that there was absolutely no question of refusing to serve or disobeying orders.

But the latter's musings about requests from friends who had been called up were a reflection of the doubts that exist in many minds.

"Some of them came to me before they went and said that if they were killed, I should go to their funerals and say that they died in a war they did not believe in."

IT WAS ONLY Prime Minister Menachem Begin's resolve and the firm message from Washington which Ambassador Moshe Arens conveyed personally this week which stood between Defence Minister Ariel Sharon and an all-out assault against the remaining PLO strongholds in West Beirut.

Sharon left no stone unturned in his attempts to discredit the diplomatic efforts of U.S. special envoy Philip Habib. Arik's confidant and special aide, Uri Dan, Saturday night made the rounds of all the newspapers, radio and TV, to launch an unbridled attack against Habib, accusing him of deceit and fraudulent methods in the name of "authoritative political circles" in Jerusalem.

When Foreign Ministry spokesman Avi Zaxner tried to find out the source of these attacks from Defence Ministry circles they put the blame bluntly on the Prime Minister's media adviser, Uri Porat. Except that Sharon's people did not know that Uri Porat had only just arrived from Nairobi, where he was stuck during the abortive coup, while on his way back from Zaïre following the postponement of Begin's state visit there.

The attacks on Habib nevertheless were continued in this week's issue of the Likud weekly *Yoman Hashavua*.

The cover-story hatchet-job, written by Moshe Yahalom, was headline "Is Habib trying to set us up?" We can understand why U.S. embassy circles termed it "the most scurrilous attack" yet on President Reagan's envoy, just by reading this concluding passage of the attack on Habib: "competence and credibility, which included comments about the envoy's Arab ties: 'It is incumbent upon Reagan to search out among the strange decisions of his State Department, when an untalented man like Habib, who is not suited for his post, succeeded in climbing so high in the State Department hierarchy. Despite the fact that he often managed to get the U.S. into trouble in various parts of the world, he was sought out even in retirement.'"

PUBLICATION of the attack on Habib, whose cartoon-like image was also on the cover, caused great embarrassment to Likud-Herut MK Rami Miki, who is the responsible editor of the publication. He phoned U.S. Ambassador Samuel Lewis on Wednesday and also sent him a letter to apologize for the publication of the anti-Habib article, which Miki says he did not know about, and which certainly does not represent his views.

Miki, who often reflects Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir's views, earlier this week openly criticized Sharon at the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee for the way he conducts the talks with Habib, telling the defence minister to stick to supervising the military

moves of the war in Lebanon and to leave the political negotiations to Begin and to Shamir. The Herut Knesset faction chairman was obviously displeased with repeated attempts by Sharon and his advisers to torpedo the Habib mission, thus clearing the way for an all-out assault against the PLO in West Beirut.

The U.S. Embassy provided Habib with a full translation of the *Yoman Hashavua* article so that he could read it on his way back from Jerusalem to Beirut Wednesday afternoon.

THE SHARON-HABIB controversy did not stop the two to exchange pleasantries during the crucial meeting on Wednesday with Begin and Shamir. Habib related to Sharon that a cartoon which appeared this week in one of the Beirut papers shows both of them facing each other with large-size stomachs which made it difficult for them to come close and shake hands.

Sharon seemed quite amused by the story of the cartoon, and asked Habib to get him the Lebanese paper which published it. He admitted at the same time that his heavy appearance, which becomes even more conspicuous when photographed from the side, does bother him sometimes, and related that he makes it a point to talk only side-ways to another real big stomach public figure, Agudat Yisrael leader and coalition chairman Avraham Shapira, lest some photographers might catch them facing each other.

Habib's party came to the Prime Minister's Office on Wednesday just as Rumanian President Nicolae Ceausescu's special envoy, Vasile Pungu, was about to leave. Shamir made it a point to introduce the Rumanian envoy to Habib, Lewis and to the outgoing U.S. Deputy Chief of Mission, Bill Brown. Much to Shamir's surprise, he suddenly heard a conversation in fluent Russian. Brown discovered that he and Pungu are old acquaintances from Moscow, where they served at the same time some 10 years ago.

The new DCM at the U.S. embassy, Robert Flaten was due to arrive last night. Having served in Israel some 15 years ago as commercial attaché and his recent post as assistant deputy secretary of state for congressional affairs should make it easier for Flaten to grasp the intricacies of the almost 24-hours around the clock U.S.-Israel contacts these days in which Bill Brown will be involved practically until he leaves next Wednesday.

At one of his "definitive" farewell dinners last Wednesday at the Kfar Shmaryahu home of *Ma'ariv* foreign editor Shaul Ben-Haim, Bill Brown pointed out that one of the main duties and virtues of a DCM is to stay out of the news and the headlines. Unfortunately, he said, this was not the case during recent



From left, Defence Minister Ariel Sharon, his aide Uri Dan and U.S. mediator Philip Habib. (N. Ben-Ami of Starphoto, Rahamim Yisraeli)

Arik's two-front attack

PUBLIC FACES Mark Segal

weeks when he became so intensely involved in the Habib mission negotiations and figured even in *Yoman Hashavua*.

CABINET CRACKS. Observers have attached much significance to the markedly independent stand of David Levy during the discussion on the Habib proposals. The deputy premier urged an all-out effort to revive cooperation with Washington, particularly when political positions are being mapped out.

BAD PRESS. The Unstoppable Arik has been getting it from all the four corners of the journalistic world. Here are two choice examples, both published this week.

In an editorial, Britain's *The Guardian* had this to say about our Arik: "If the PLO thought it could hide behind the civilian population of Beirut, relying on traditional Jewish humanitarianism, it did not reckon with Ariel Sharon..."

At home, we ran across a more surprising comment from none other than Arye Naor, the former government secretary and nephew of old IZL commander David Raziel. In an article in *Yedioth Aharanot*, Naor took Arik to task for the purges at Gali Zabal, noting that when Begin held the defence portfolio he never interfered with the army station's creative personnel. "What has happened at Gali Zabal is a warning of things to come," wrote Naor. "Of Byzantine court intrigues, supplanting fidelity to ideas with worship of a personality." A journalist like Ze'ev Jabotinsky, the Revisionist founder and Herut's ideological godfather, could have suffered under a Sharon regime, Naor asserted, adding: "Only as long as Mr. Begin is premier will we have someone shielding human liberties in Israel."

BROADCASTING AUTHORITY chairman Prof. Reuben Yaron sent a rather angry letter this week to beleaguered IBA director-general

Yosef (Tommy) Lapid, complaining about the TV reporting on the Chief Rabbi's actions against El Al. He termed it "too intense and too tendentious," objecting to TV reporter Eliezer Ya'ari commenting "the cat's out of the bag — another two Khasrut supervisors at the 'tax payers' expense." What was not broadcast was Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren's threat to Yaari: "We'll shut down El Al Television just as we closed down El Al."

AGUDAT ISRAEL MK Avraham Shapira's appointment by the Cabinet this week as chairman of the Bank of Israel's Advisory Council has run into criticism. Veteran council member and former Knesset Finance committee chairman Israel Kargman told Monday's session that from the point of view of public ethics, it was unprecedented that Shapira could wear four hats: chairman of the Bank's advisory commission, chairman of the coalition executive, member of the Cabinet economics committee and of the Knesset finance committee, apart from heading a huge carpet and textile combine — Carmel in Israel and Genotex in the U.S.

"I've got nothing against the man but what's going to happen when the Bank and the Treasury clash on policy, he's on both sides at present," Kargman explained to me.

SHAPIRA is clinging on grimly to his chairmanship of the coalition executive, doing his best to renege on his agreement to give up the job to Herut's Ronnie Milo after a year. He already got one extension in April for six months.

I am told by those in the know that Shapira's fight is a function of the internal Agudat Israel factional tug-of-war. Should the party carpet manufacturer lose the coalition executive chairmanship, it would mean that he would be reduced to being just another MK, with Aguda Knesset faction chairman Shlomo Lorincz taking precedence. Although Begin has a soft spot for Shapira, he is under pressure from such coalition managers as Likud Knesset faction head Sara Doron and Deputy Foreign Minister NRP faction head Yehuda Ben-Meir to

oblige Shapira to honour his commitment.

THE MOST LAVISH exercise in conspicuous consumption held in Israel this season was the luxurious wedding of Avital, daughter of Tourism Minister Avraham Sharir and wife Rivka to Michael, son of former Israel, now based in Germany, Hinda and Aharon Kroll. Tuesday night's ceremony at the King David pool had a Miami Beach ambience enhanced by huge floating water lilies and the hostesses' "Garden of Allah" costumes.

One irreverent Herutnik, studying the 2,000 guests, told me that the entire Liberal Party was there. It seemed like an extension of the Libitron auction audience at Asia House, with Sharir party backers like tycoon Mickey Albin there. Premier Menachem Begin led off the Likud leadership. There was a

rare appearance of Aguda sage Rabbi Eliezer Schach with followers from Bnei Brak shepherded by Lorincz. They seemed shocked when the bridegroom's mother came under the huppah in a glossy white trouser suit.

One of the biggest smiles at the wedding belonged to hotelier Haim Schiff, not only because he has prospered under Sharir's ministry, but because he was the *shadchan*. The hotelier, who built his family fortune under Mapai's Pinhas Sapir, has been playing Herut politics of late, and has provided temporary refuge on his staff to Herut activist Eli Silber who is soon to be Sharon's spokesman at the defence ministry. Silber once held that same post at Arik's Agriculture Ministry.

Talking to Bonds President Yitzhak (Ho) Rager at the King David's exit, he confirmed that he was concluding his duties next April. Other sources indicated that his successor will be Yehuda Halevi, (the general, not the poet), who just left the army after being assistant chief of manpower at GHQ.

SOME OF THE wedding party drove across town to the Jerusalem Hilton's elegant pool party held every year by hotel manager Dan Barkal. It certainly upstaged the King David's effort, with such glamorous party-goers as lovely American TV actress Pam Dawber, who enjoyed herself along with most of the NBC-TV *Remembrance of Love* production team including producer Doris Quinlan and director Jack Smight. Star Kirk Douglas stayed in his room.

KNESSET SPEAKER Menachem Saviv and his wife, Raya this week heard nice things about what Israel has done for the Lebanese from U.S. Rep. Robert Dornan a California Republican and old associate of President Ronald Reagan. He was their guest for dinner along with Science Minister Yuval Ne'eman. Dornan referred to Rep. Robert McCloskey as "Israel's enemy No. 1 in Congress," and he asked Saviv "How come none of us knew what

the PLO did to Lebanon for seven years?"

TEL AVIV Hilton General Manager Dieter Huckerstein held a splendid farewell dinner in honour of outgoing U.S. councillor-minister William Brown and his wife, Helen at the Seaport restaurant on the Hilton beach, attended by such friends as Canadian Ambassador Joseph Stanford and wife, Agnes, themselves about to be launched into "farewell festival" as they pack for Ottawa.

OUR SOLDIERS are a clean lot, to judge by some data kindly provided me by Shekem public relations chief Moshe Eliat about sales in Shekem mobile canteens to the troops in Lebanon. The report deals with the first two months of the war. It seems that the boys bought 38,000 bars of soap, 81,000 tooth brushes and 205,000 tubes of toothpaste, as well as 64,000 cans of shaving foam. That our boys are champion *fessers* emerges from the two million chocolate wafers (vaflim) they consumed, not forgetting 410,000 cookies plus 225,000 packets of chips and other junk food. The chewing gum department did well — 810,000 packages were bought, as well as the Israeli scourge-garmin (81,000 packets).

Eliat also informed me that our boys like beer (405,000 bottles), but not as much as other cold drinks, 2,768,000 bottles of which were guzzled down in June and July in Lebanon. Mind you, Eliat advised me that the beverage consumption was probably higher, because soldiers are allowed to buy light drinks and cigarettes in Lebanese shops. The IDF forbids any other kind of commerce.

OUR FINAL NOTE must come from the Lubavitcher Rebbe, Menachem Mendel Schneerson. From his fortress at 770 Eastern Parkway in far-off Brooklyn, the rebbe issued the following call to his hassidim. "Your slogan should not be the phony 'Peace Now,' but 'Messiah Now.' Amen."

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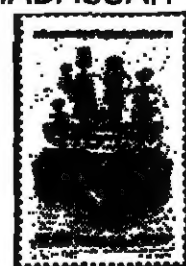
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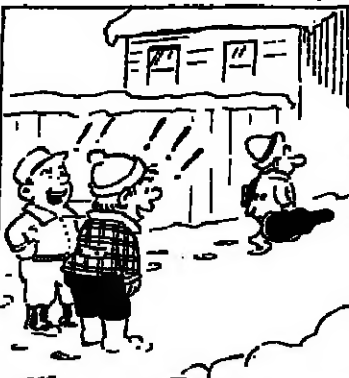
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Zionism with racism, what kind of objectivity could be expected of UN observers? Begin said he had asked Habib.

The second sticking point was the time of the entry of the multinational force, Begin said. Israel was now insisting that the force enter Beirut only after the major part of the terrorists had left. Then, if the remaining minority refused to move, it would be the job of the force to get them out.

"If it didn't wish to do that, it would leave," said Begin. In that case, "we will solve the problem — and without entering West Beirut."

"We hope that Mr. Habib will settle these two matters, and that the fighting will soon end," Begin said.

As for France's participation in the multinational force, Begin said Israel had every right to say to the French: "Stay home; don't come to Lebanon." This was only because of the "ugly anti-Semitism now running rampant in France, the likes of which have not been seen since the Dreyfus Affair," but also on account of France's recent vote in the Security Council, Begin said.

He noted that France was one of the 11 states that voted to impose an embargo on the supply of weapons of any kind to Israel, and only the U.S. veto prevented the adoption of that resolution.

If the resolution had been adopted, the results for Israel would have been catastrophic, Begin said. The Arabs, with their petrodollars could have increased the number of their tanks from 12,000 to 20,000 — buying at will from the USSR, the U.S., Britain, France, Italy and Germany. Given the present state of affairs in the Middle East, the French vote was a hostile act in every sense of the word, Begin said.

Referring to the terrorist attack on a Jewish restaurant in Paris on Monday, Begin took issue with a French minister who had called it "a domestic problem" in other words, no affair of Israel's.

"The murder of Jews is not the internal affair of any state," Begin said. "We heard this 'internal affair' argument for six long years. The enlightened world accepted it — and the result is known." He said that the murder of Jews would never again be an internal matter. "It is a matter for us, for the Jewish people, for the State of the Jews."

Earlier in his speech, while still giving his historical review of the war, Begin was interrupted by Shulamit Aloni (Alignment-CRM): "Don't you have a word to say about the half a million (Lebanese) civilians?"

Begin: "That's slander. You're going in the footsteps of the liars who spoke about 600,000 homeless. You say half a million. Not at all! The number is less than 20,000 — and we're seeing to their resettlement."

Not once had the IDF deliberately struck at the civilian population, in accordance with orders from the government, Begin said. But, he added, the IDF had not always been so concerned about the safety of Lebanese civilians.

Here he quoted from the transcript of the questioning of former chief of staff Mordechai Gur, at an unidentified forum, concerning the shelling of Lebanese civilians during the Litani operation in 1978. One excerpt:

"Gur: It's a fact that this civilian population is known to have given active assistance to the terrorists. It won't help to be a 'bleeding heart' afterwards. I shelled them two and a half years after the slaughter at Avivim. I shelled and shelled four villages, without any authorization."

"Question: Your contention is that this populace deserves to be punished?"

"Gur: Absolutely."

Here Aloni interjected to Begin: "But you were prime minister during the Litani campaign!"

Early in the session, just before Bar-Lev was given the floor, Knesset Speaker Menahem Savidor had two (Communist) Democratic Front deputies ejected from the session.

This was prompted by Meir Wilner's demand that before going on to the agenda, the House resolve that the bombing of Beirut be halted. Wilner said that, at that very moment, women and children were being murdered in Beirut. He continued in the same vein, ignoring Savidor's demand that he be seated. Savidor called him to order three times, and then ordered him to leave the chamber.

Wilner's colleague Tawfik Zayyad took it from there. "He (Wilner) was only making a point of order," he said. "Stop the murder! Stop the bombing! That's what he demanded?" Zayyad, too, ignored Savidor's order that he be seated, was called to order three times and then told to leave the chamber. He refused holding tight to his desk.

Four ushers and the sergeant-at-arms moved him out.

Towards the end of Begin's speech, 14 Labour MKs walked out to protest "the killings and destruction" in Beirut. They were Adiel Amoria, Nava Arad, Uzi Baram, Michael Bar-Zohar, Naftali Blumenthal, Raphael Edri, Ya'acov Gil, Mordechai Gur, Menahem Hagohen, Avraham Katz-Oz, Ora Namir, Uri Sabag, Yossi Sarid and Shevah Weiss.

Afterwards, Begin held an impromptu meeting with journalists in the members' restaurant. He declared that he would quit politics in two years time and devote himself to writing.

He dodged a question asking whom he would like as his successor, saying that the party institutions would decide.

Money Matters

By JOSEPH MORGENSTERN

TEL AVIV. — The trading week ended on an upbeat note as both the "continuous trading" and the afternoon sessions saw smart gains in all sectors of share trading except for insurance trading. Forty-six securities were up by five percent or better while 28 issues were down by similar margins. Trading activity continued at the recent higher level and totalled some 15 538m.

The index-linked bond market continued to perform in a slovenly

fashion with small gains punctuating the various groups of bond trading. The shekel came through with a fine performance, being revalued by no less than 13 agorot in trading against the U.S. dollar.

Commercial bank issues continued to record moderate advances. Israel General was the only notable loser, backtracking by 2.6 per cent.

All in all, a satisfactory week

Tel Aviv Stock Exchange

The insurance sector was the only one to trend somewhat lower. Hadar 1.0 was 10.1 per cent higher but Zion Holdings, both 1.0 and 5.0 shares, were eight per cent lower.

In the services group Supersol shone with the 2.0 shares gaining 10 per cent while the option was more than 15 per cent to the good.

As usual, there was plenty of action among industrials. The Elco group returned to popularity with the debentures leading the way with a 10 per cent advance. Fertilizers 0.5 was down by 10.1 per cent while Lodzia 0.1 was falling by a similar

Man 1.0 lost 9.7 per cent while Paper Mills was gaining 9.5 per cent. King was 8.2 per cent lower.

Land development and real estate issues continued to carve out gains. Mehadrin was group leader with a 10 per cent jump.

Investment company equities continued to outperform the balance of the market. Incoba was 10 per cent higher but Discount Investments (B) stole the spotlight with a 15 per cent gain.

Company	Change	%	Volume
Commercial Banks & Bankholding			
IDB prf	33300	+300	+1.0
IDB r	2703	+12	+0.4
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IDB r	2703	+12	+0.4

Company	Change	%	Volume
Commercial Services & Utilities			
Hassneh b	1280	+85	+7.1
Hassneh op	4445	+40	+0.9
Phoenix 0.1 r	1582	n.c.	—
Phoenix 0.3 r	1010	+46	+4.6
Yardenia 0.1 r	2130	+24	+1.2
Yardenia 0.3 r	610	+20	+3.2
Sahar r	4198	-91	-2.1
Sahar b	253	n.c.	—
Securitas r	1880	-66	-3.5
Zur r	70	-1.7	-4.8
Zur b	1080	-115	-10.6
Zion Hold. 1.0	499	+40	+8.0
Zion Hold. 5.0	275	-24	-8.7
Galei Zohar 1	382	-25	-6.5
Galei Zohar 5	239	-25	-10.5

Company	Change	%	Volume
Alkol op 1	330	n.c.	—
Electra 0.1 r	3140	+80	+2.6
Electra 0.3 r	1550	+20	+1.3
Electra op 3	1400	+20	+1.4
Elron 3	9955	n.c.	—
Argaman prf b	1950	+60	+3.1
Argaman r	210	n.c.	—
Argaman b	2010	n.c.	—
Ata B 1.0	517	+22	+4.4
Tadiv Beton 1.0	470	-8	-1.6
Tadiv Beton op 1	410	+32	+7.8
Goldfront 1.0	322	-11	-3.4
Goldfront 5.0	282	-22	-7.8
Goldfront op	250	n.c.	—
Dubek prf r	1530	+10	+0.7
Dubek prf b	1485	+20	+1.4
Fertilizers 0.5	900	-38	-4.2
Fertilizers 0.1	500	-38	-7.6
Cables r	1890	n.c.	—
Cables b	1790	n.c.	—
Hatech 1.0	390	+32	+8.2
Hatech 5.0	928	-1	-0.1
Hatech op 2	380	-32	-8.4
Vitalgo 1.0	313	-3	-0.9
Vitalgo 5.0	410	-10	-2.4
Zikik 5.0	310	-15	-4.8
Haifa Chem r	281	-8	-2.8
Haifa Chem b	1255	n.c.	—

Company	Change	%	Volume
Investment & Holding Companies			
Unico r	1300	+20	+1.6
Unico b	1440	+36	+2.5
IDB devel. r	1090	+10	+0.9
IDB devel. op 1	1770	n.c.	—
Incoba	2756	+251	+9.1
Eligor b	2769	n.c.	—
Eligor r	3662	+2	+0.1
Ellern b	1635	+40	+2.5
Ellern r	1571	+117	+7.5
Amisat prf	5950	+200	+3.4
Amisat op	1710	+100	+5.9
Afik 1.0	2575	+1175	+45.6
Afik 5.0	775	n.c.	—
Central Trade	3140	-183	-5.8
Fin Paz r	3550	+100	+2.9
Fin Paz b	3616	n.c.	—
Wolfson 0.1	1040	+20	+2.0
Wolfson 1.0 r	3240	+180	+5.6
Wolfson 1.0 b	3240	n.c.	—
Amper r	1695	+60	+3.5
Amper b	1902	+220	+11.6
Disc Inv b	1360	+110	+8.1
Disc Inv op D	2105	+100	+4.8
Disc Inv op E	1360	+110	+8.1
Disc Inv deb 125	1860	-15	-0.8
Hagapim Inv b	1892	+4	+0.2
Hagapim Inv r	1892	+4	+0.2
Leumi Inv	1340	n.c.	—
Jordan Expro A r	54500	n.c.	—
Jordan Expro op 2	23500	-1899	-8.1
Mirahil Inv r	5520	+30	+0.5
Mirahil Inv deb 122	5430	n.c.	—
Mirahil deb 125	1430	-20	-1.4
Mirahil deb 125	1860	-15	-0.8
Cial Trade op B	7910	+110	+1.4
Export Inv b	7920	n.c.	—
Export Inv r	7920	n.c.	—
Export Inv op	7920	n.c.	—
Cial Trade op C	334	+5	+1.5
Cial Trade op D	334	+5	+1.5
Cial Trade op E	334	+5	+1.5
Cial Trade op F	334	+5	+1.5
Cial Trade op G	334	+5	+1.5
Cial Trade op H	334	+5	+1.5
Cial Trade op I	334	+5	+1.5
Cial Trade op J	334	+5	+1.5
Cial Trade op K	334	+5	+1.5
Cial Trade op L	334	+5	+1.5
Cial Trade op M	334	+5	+1.5
Cial Trade op N	334	+5	+1.5
Cial Trade op O	334	+5	+1.5
Cial Trade op P	334	+5	+1.5
Cial Trade op Q	334	+5	+1.5
Cial Trade op R	334	+5	+1.5
Cial Trade op S	334	+5	+1.5
Cial Trade op T	334	+5	+1.5
Cial Trade op U	334	+5	+1.5
Cial Trade op V	334	+5	+1.5
Cial Trade op W	334	+5	+1.5
Cial Trade op X	334	+5	+1.5
Cial Trade op Y	334	+5	+1.5
Cial Trade op Z	334	+5	+1.5

Company	Change	%	Volume
Fuel & Exploration			
Oil Expro op 2	1030	n.c.	—
Oil Expro op 3	740	+10	+1.4
Oil Expro op 4	1820	+103	+5.7
N. American Oil 1	352	+10	+2.9
N. American Oil 2	265	n.c.	—
N. American Oil 3	235	+10	+4.3
N. American Oil 4	11300	+400	+3.7
N. American Oil 5	11300	+400	+3.7
N. American Oil 6	11300	+400	+3.7
N. American Oil 7	11300	+400	+3.7
N. American Oil 8	11300	+400	+3.7
N. American Oil 9	11300	+400	+3.7
N. American Oil 10	11300	+400	+3.7
N. American Oil 11	11300	+400	+3.7
N. American Oil 12	11300	+400	+3.7
N. American Oil 13	11300	+400	+3.7
N. American Oil 14	11300	+400	+3.7
N. American Oil 15	11300	+400	+3.7
N. American Oil 16	11300	+400	+3.7
N. American Oil 17	11300	+400	+3.7
N. American Oil 18	11300	+400	+3.7
N. American Oil 19	11300	+400	+3.7
N. American Oil 20	11300	+400	+3.7

Company	Change	%	Volume
General A	3765	-100	-2.6
General op 6	8150	n.c.	—
General op 7	4870	-324	-6.7
General op 8	1120	-31	-2.7
General op 9	1653	+5	+0.3
General op 10	9400	+30	+0.3
General op 11	2450	n.c.	—
General op 12	511	n.c.	—
General op 13	223	+1	+0.5
General op 14	2000	n.c.	—
General op 15	2000	n.c.	—
General op 16	2000	n.c.	—
General op 17	2000	n.c.	—
General op 18	2000	n.c.	—
General op 19	2000	n.c.	—
General op 20	2000	n.c.	—

Company	Change	%	Volume
Land Development Building, Citrus			
Oren op 1	830	+32	+3.9
Oren op 2	760	+50	+6.6
Oren op 3	1185	+18	+1.5
Oren op 4	656	+7	+1.1
Oren op 5	8535	-449	-5.3
Oren op 6	1780	+130	+7.3
Oren op 7	825	-89	-10.8
Oren op 8	1590	+19	+1.2
Oren op 9	814	+12	+1.5
Oren op 10	1081	+38	+3.5
Oren op 11	349	-38	-10.9
Oren op 12	1390	+12	+0.9
Oren op 13	3300	+133	+4.0
Oren op 14	2250	+150	+6.7
Oren op 15	2147	n.c.	—
Oren op 16	8385	n.c.	—
Oren op 17	1740	+152	+8.8
Oren op 18	4510	+43	+1.0
Oren op 19	4510	+43	+1.0
Oren op 20	354	-3	-0.8
Oren op 21	40460	+1200	+3.0
Oren op 22	1275	n.c.	—
Oren op 23	2480	+30	+1.2
Oren op 24	3135	+55	+1.8
Oren op 25	1870	+30	+1.6
Oren op 26	1180	+80	+7.3
Oren op 27	847	+80	+9.4
Oren op 28	740	+20	+2.7
Oren op 29	2290	+208	+9.1
Oren op 30	447	n.c.	—
Oren op 31	321	+7	+2.2
Oren op 32	250	n.c.	—
Oren op 33	860	+40	+4.7
Oren op 34	612	+40	+6.5
Oren op 35	489	n.c.	—
Oren op 36	7700	+700	+9.1
Oren op 37	3000	-15	-0.5
Oren op 38	3700	-100	-2.7
Oren op 39	1905	-25	-1.3
Oren op 40	1820	+3	+0.2
Oren op 41	710	+3	+0.4
Oren op 42	1144	+50	+4.4
Oren op 43	446	+19	+4.3
Oren op 44	26010	-400	-1.5
Oren op 45	26010	-400	-1.5

Company	Change	%	Volume
Industrial			
Urdan 0.1 r	2000	+75	+3.8
Urdan 0.3 r	1685	n.c.	—
Urdan 0.5 r	2158	+60	+2.8
Urdan 0.7 r	4995	+65	+1.3
Urdan 0.9 r	890	n.c.	—
Urdan 1.1 r	620	n.c.	—
Urdan 1.3 r	700	+20	+2.9
Urdan 1.5 r	2800	n.c.	—
Urdan 1.7 r	1092	+52	+4.8
Urdan 1.9 r	1240	n.c.	—
Urdan 2.1 r	809	+10	+1.2
Urdan 2.3 r	2475	+225	+9.1
Urdan 2.5 r	1184	+27	+2.3
Urdan 2.7 r	408	+27	+6.7

0	-3.6	6	Mizrahi deb 122	1
0	-2.5	17.1	Mizrahi deb 124	1
0	-1.1	235.7	Clai Trade	
0	-7.2	83	Clai Trade op B	
0	-	158.3	Export inv r	
0	+12.2	6.3	Export inv b	
0	-	77.0	Koor prf	7
0	+4.1	133.8	Clai Re r	
0	+3.2	104.7	Clai Re op C	
0	-	97.9	Clai lnd	
0	-	14.4	Clai lnd	
0	-	16.0	Clai lnd op B	
0	9.1	6.2	Landeco 0.1	
0	+1.1	169.4	Landeco 0.5	
0	-	19.4	Sahar Hold 1.0	
0	-	58.2	Sahar Hold 5.0	
0	-10.0	12.7	Sahar Hold op 1	
0	-1.6	348.6	Oz Inv B 0.1	
0	-7.0	123.2	Oz Inv B 0.5	

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Sharon vs the Cabinet

SINCE the first week of the war some cabinet ministers have been muttering, off the record, about Defence Minister Ariel Sharon. Their complaint: that army actions go beyond Cabinet decisions, that the military momentum on the ground determines the political decision-making rather than the reverse.

And throughout, Prime Minister Begin and others have stoutly denied these charges. If the war consistently escalated beyond expected limits, it was because of enemy actions, Mr. Begin argued. Only yesterday morning in the Knesset, the Prime Minister again expounded at length on this theme.

But a few hours later, in the Cabinet itself, the pent-up resentment and worry about the free-wheeling defence minister finally exploded. The immediate cause was the continuous heavy bombardments by the air force in West Beirut and some advances on the ground which did not have Cabinet approval, and apparently were also not cleared with the Prime Minister.

Since these massive retaliations for terrorist fire endanger the negotiations designed to remove the PLO from Beirut by political means, ministers, led by David Levy, accused Sharon of undermining the talks and the credibility of the Prime Minister.

Mr. Sharon charged back with characteristic ferocity. The issue, he said, was whether to knuckle under to American pressure (President Reagan yesterday threatened to pull Philip Habib out of the negotiations) or whether the bombings didn't stop or give the troops in West Beirut suitable protection. But this line of argument angered even Mr. Begin, who has throughout been the defence minister's patron. He was not ready to be cast into the role of a weak-kneed suppliant of the U.S. or grant Sharon a monopoly of concern for the welfare of Israel's front-line troops.

In the end, after a stormy debate, the Cabinet decided to put an end to the bombings. Sharon was left isolated, with only Yuval Neeman, the professor whose militaristic limits have yet to be defined, in support.

The Cabinet debate did not only confirm the long-smouldering suspicions that the defence minister was managing not only the war but the Cabinet as well. It was also plain that the prime minister himself had not exercised control. For the Cabinet decided yesterday that use of the air force and further troop movements on the ground would now require specific approval by Mr. Begin.

Certainly there is an element of the pathetic when a minister has to ask Mr. Sharon, as happened yesterday, why he did not consult the premier before deciding on this week's massive retaliations.

Mr. Sharon's isolation in the Cabinet and the dressing down he received from Mr. Begin will no doubt have wider repercussions. For it could well be followed by a similar groundswell of criticism within the Likud and Herut.

Until now Mr. Begin, acting as a kind of chairman of the board, utilizing Sharon's services, has been able to shield the defence minister from the wrath of others in the Likud. But yesterday David Levy clearly emerged as the leader of the internal opposition. And he, not Sharon, represents the Herut rank and file.

But whatever the repercussions for the future of Mr. Sharon and his party, of greater import is the need to bring rational political coherence to the Cabinet's decisions and Israel's military actions. It must be hoped that yesterday's perturbing Cabinet debate eliminated a last hurdle, on the Israeli side, from the process of getting the PLO out of Beirut without the need for a further military assault.

Beirut and beyond

By CHAIM HERZOG

AS THE DRAMA of Beirut moves towards its inevitable climax, it is difficult to predict the outcome. The developments over the past few weeks only reinforce the truism that one can always know how a war will begin, but one never knows how it will end.

We expressed the opinion, in the early days of the operation, when the Israeli forces were poised south of Beirut, that in such situations either one does not become involved in a siege, or if one does, the operation should be rapidly concluded. It was our view that in the given circumstances, every effort should have been made to take advantage of the momentum that had been engendered, the evident disarray in the PLO's ranks, and the fact that its leadership was showing signs of disintegration to complete the capture of Beirut.

This is not the first time that Israel has been involved in a siege, and in each case the very nature of the siege, which gives no outlet to the besieged and therefore no alternative but to fight, creates its own built-in problems. This was the case in 1948 with the besieged Egyptian brigade at Faluja, which finally left the area after the signing of the armistice agreement with Egypt with full military honours. It was the case with the besieged Egyptian Third Army in October and November 1973. The situation may be different in Beirut in 1982, but the principles are the same.

It is as yet too early to gauge the validity of any arrangement reached by Mr. Habib with Yasser Arafat. In my view, the PLO's alleged willingness to call it a day in Beirut and to withdraw, has undoubtedly been influenced by the continuous pressure exercised on the city by the IDF, and in particular by the reading of the map, and the tactical implications arising therefrom, following the operation which was carried out on Wednesday, August 4.

The PLO leadership has always intended to retain as strong a foothold as it can in Beirut,

provided its physical security is not in danger, for as long a period as possible. The only sanction that seems to have any effect on it is the threat of an Israeli operation, concerning the possibility of which the PLO must by now be convinced.

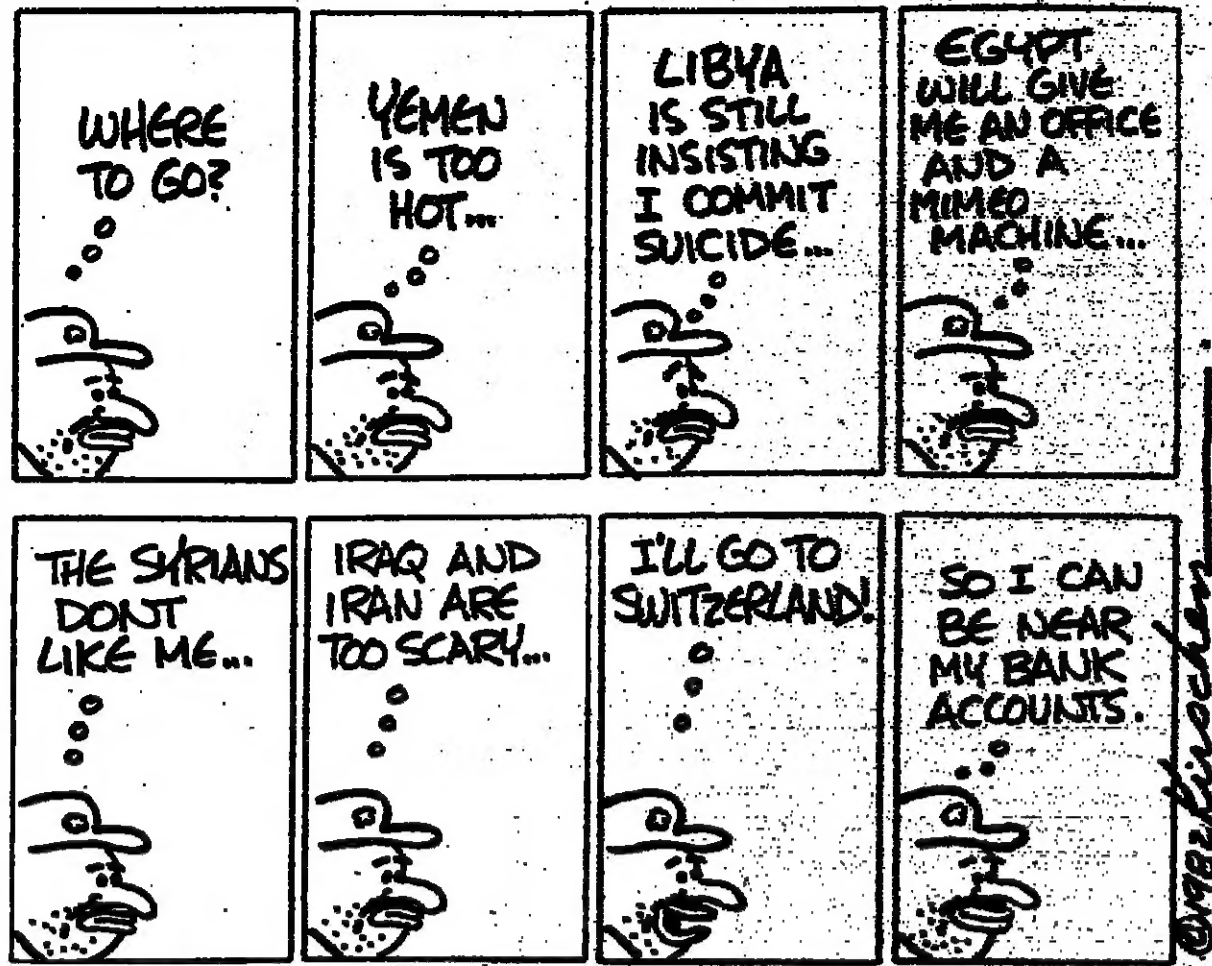
Having regard to what has occurred in all the negotiations until now between the PLO and the Lebanese government, in which not one undertaking was honoured by the PLO, Israel's negotiators would be well advised to be as wary as possible. Indeed all those involved, including Mr. Habib, must by now be aware that without the threat of Israeli military action, no advance can be made in the negotiations with Arafat, or in the implementation of any agreements reached.

THE PROBLEM created by the siege of West Beirut is that the focus of the entire Lebanese operation has moved from its wider implications to the question of whether or not the PLO is removed from Beirut. Hence success or failure in the entire operation can only be gauged by the results of the negotiations with the PLO in Beirut.

From this point of view, what must interest all who are trying to foresee the end result of the Beirut operation is the effect it will have on Arafat's standing among the Palestinian people.

The siege of Beirut has given rise to a number of problems. It has undoubtedly created a major information, and as a result a political, problem with regard to Israel's image abroad. The inevitably superficial reporting of the media, and particularly of television, which focused on tragic and harrowing pictures to the exclusion of the overall implications of the siege, has directly affected governmental policy in Washington and elsewhere. The short snippets on the evening news have had more effect on the decision-making process of governments than the detailed and reasoned analyses of their ambassadors, because the news has af-

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fecting public opinion, and in a democracy that counts for a great deal.

A second by-product of the siege has been the elevation of the Palestinian issue to a central position in world thinking. The battle in Beirut has done more to bring this issue to international consciousness than 34 years of conflict. Yasser Arafat has known how to gain the maximum amount of mileage for himself out of this situation.

Israel's major preoccupation now, therefore, must be the effect that the withdrawal from Beirut will have on the relationship between the Palestinian Arab people and Arafat.

In this context, since the problem of the withdrawal is above all a psychological one, its importance cannot be exaggerated. Thus, while it is important that the PLO leave Lebanon, the immediate issue is that of their quitting Beirut.

I find much logic in Mr. Yitzhak Rabin's oft-repeated proposal that the main concentration of the political efforts today should be on the withdrawal from Beirut,

whether to North Lebanon or to the Bekaa Valley, and that only thereafter should the second stage, namely, transfer to other countries, be embarked upon.

THE TRAGEDY of the Palestinian Arabs, from the time of the Mufti of Jerusalem to that of Arafat, has been their leadership, which has never been willing to countenance the idea of compromise and has indeed never been prepared to concede even the right of existence to Israel. This attitude caused them to forgo a number of opportunities to create an independent Palestinian state, and has led them from disaster to disaster.

For the first time, one can sense new winds blowing in the Palestinian Arab camp. The duplicity and betrayal of the Arab countries has been plain for all to see. Not a single Arab country has raised a finger to help the Palestinian Arabs in their struggle against Israel in Lebanon.

The Palestinian reaction to the events in Lebanon has been twofold. The first is bitterness and hostility to the Arab countries, who are characterized as treacherous and unreliable, and are blamed by many for having brought the Palestinians to the present pass. The second is a growing disenchantment with Arafat and his PLO leadership, whose mishandling of the situation in Southern Lebanon and elsewhere led to the events which are unravelling themselves today in Beirut.

How things would develop was obvious well in advance, yet the PLO leadership played every wrong card; basing itself on false assumptions with regard to the Syrian army and the other Arab countries, not to mention the Soviet Union. If ever there was a major miscalculation, it was that of the PLO leadership, which has brought it to its present position. This is evident to the rank and file of the Palestinian Arabs, and one senses a growing feeling of disenchantment with their leaders.

Articles by a Palestinian journalist in recent weeks in *The New York Times* and *The Jerusalem Post*, decrying the role of the Arab states in the conflict and in effect calling for direct talks between the Palestinians and Israelis on the basis of compromise, are but one indication of a new spirit abroad. The sentiments of the Palestinian refugees in Lebanon appearing on Israeli TV are expressive of bitter hostility to the Arab states and resignation to an accommodation with Israel, in many cases on Israel's terms.

The remarks made by Bethlehem's Mayor Elias Frej some weeks ago also reflect a feeling that direct Israeli-Palestinian talks are essential. Private talks with Palestinian Arabs strengthen this sense of a change in feeling.

TRUS ISRAEL'S first priority following the successful conclusion of the military operation in Lebanon should be to seize the opportunities that have been created for dealing with the major issue: the problem of the Palestinian Arabs.

The situation could lead to preparedness on the part of a new Palestinian Arab leadership, removed from the influence of the bankrupt leadership in Beirut, to enter into the autonomy negotiations. This obviously would require a new and bold approach to the Palestinian leadership in the West Bank and Gaza.

Part of the Palestinian Arab problem has been perpetuated by the cynical and heartless use of the refugees as pawns in the hands of the Arab countries, with the exception of Jordan. A major effort should now be made to create a programme with international backing which will settle the refugees in permanent homes in the Arab countries, or in any other countries willing to accept them.

The international atmosphere today would appear to be amenable to the solution of the refugee problem along these lines. To judge by the sentiments of those in Lebanon, there is a willingness on the part of the refugees themselves for their problem to be resolved in this manner. The resources which the UN expends on perpetuating the problem could be put to better use by being applied to its resolution.

TO THOSE accustomed to the devious form of negotiation which has characterized the PLO and some of the Arab countries involved, many pitfalls before the resolution of the situation in Beirut must be all too evident. Nevertheless, should the removal of the PLO leadership and personnel from Beirut be successfully accomplished, there are definite prospects of a breaking of the logjam that call for a wise and far-sighted policy.

One can only repeat that as far as Lebanon is concerned, and having regard to the intracommunal strife which characterizes its body politic, it is essential for Israel and Syria to be in agreement as to the general outline of a solution of the Lebanese problem that will take account of their vital interests in the country.

The possibility of the resolution of the Beirut crisis opens up prospects for a resolution of some of the major problems which have plagued the Middle East for years, and for a meaningful advance on many of the issues that have so far defied resolution.

READERS' LETTERS

CONSORTING WITH ANTI-SEMITES

To the Editor of *The Jerusalem Post*. Sir, — It was most disturbing to see the report in *The Jerusalem Post* of August 3 that Labour Knesset member and former Chief-of-Staff Mordechai Gur gave an interview attacking government policy to the "Executive Intelligence Review." In its report, *The Jerusalem Post* merely noted that the "Executive Intelligence Review" is an "anti-Israel right-wing American magazine." In fact, it is a principal organ of the self-proclaimed socialist Lyndon LaRouche, Jr. As one who was besieged by requests from the editors of the "Executive Intelligence Review" in the U.S. to grant them an interview about Israel, and who has consistently refused on the grounds that to do so would be to damage the interests of the Jewish people, I believe that I have a duty to speak out on this occasion.

Lyndon LaRouche, Jr. is unquestionably one of the leading purveyors of anti-Semitism in the United States. As the founder and leader of such misnamed front groups as the National Caucus of Labour Committees or the National Democratic Policy Committee, which was specifically disavowed by the real Democratic Party, he has propagated a vile message. He has founded his own so-called labour party, and he has used it largely upon a conspiratorial view of current events in which "international bankers," and he doesn't hesitate to name Jews as those "international bankers," the British government and Israel have combined for the express purpose of destroying the civilized world.

It is a simple fact that the leading organs of the American Jewish establishment such as the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, and the American Jewish Committee, have warned American Jewry consistently of the anti-Semitic activities of Lyndon LaRouche, Jr. and the "Executive Intelligence

Review." Neither of these very reputable American Jewish organizations, nor the multitude of other liberal, establishment Jewish defence organizations in the U.S., who have, in effect, proved their contentions about the danger to Jewry emanating from the anti-Semitic activities of Lyndon LaRouche, Jr. and the "Executive Intelligence Review," can be suspected of being active supporters of General Sharon or Mr. Begin. They are simply non-Zionist, American organizations supportive of Israel. The Jewish leadership in the U.S., however, has recognized the danger of giving an unwarranted patina of respectability to a demonstrable, anti-Semitic rabble-rouser.

Under the circumstances it should be proper to ask why Labour M.K. Gur chose to lend credence to the claims of respectability made by an avowed anti-Semite. I cannot believe, and I would not say, that a former soldier of Israel knowingly chose to give an anti-Israeli government interview to a group of anti-Semites. The fact that some Jews are involved in the activities of Lyndon LaRouche, Jr. in no way mitigates the deed.

Political disputes in Israel tend to be much sharper than in most other countries because the stakes in terms of the future of the nation are so much greater. Despite that fact, however, Israeli leaders have generally been wary of giving aid and comfort to anti-Semites in their confrontations with one another over policy. Dr. Nahum Goldmann has been properly chastised precisely because he has ignored that caveat, as well as because of the substance of what he says. The knowledge that the good of Jewry and the success of Israel transcends political differences has been strong within Israel and among Zionists throughout the world.

If that is so, then Labour M.K. Gur must have given his interview

in ignorance of the real function of the "Executive Intelligence Review." In such a case he should be properly castigated for insufficient attention to detail and poor grasp of circumstances. There have been some comments in American military circles about that in the past. In any event, the critical matter is that M.K. Gur's own colleagues should take him to task for consorting with recognized anti-Semites for his own political purposes and justification. It is the duty of the Labour Party leadership to recognize that the good of the Jewish people is paramount. It must take precedence over a momentary propaganda advantage derived from consorting with the vile enemies of humanity, the anti-Semites.

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IKRIT AND BIRAM

To the Editor of *The Jerusalem Post*. Sir, — The IDF has permitted the villagers of Al Hayam to return to their homes and has expelled the PLO from most of Southern Lebanon. Shouldn't the government reconsider the case of the Christian villages of Ikrat and Biram and permit the villagers to return to their homes?

PROFESSOR S. STRICKER
Haifa.

POSTSCRIPTS

PS OLD London police horses don't fade away. They're shot. And the disclosure by a retired policeman that Scotland Yard's mounts end up in cans of pet food, not put out to pasture, has raised a right royal row in animal-loving Britain.

Newspapers and radio stations have been deluged with protests, and Yard officials say they're getting "weepee" phone calls by the hundreds.

The controversy has its roots in the public outrage over the recent Irish Republican Army bombings in the British capital in which 11 British soldiers were killed.

One of the two bombs that went off July 20 also felled seven horses attached to Queen Elizabeth II's household cavalry. Torn apart by an IRA nail bomb at the edge of Hyde Park, most of the horses were put out of their misery by army officers.

Scotland Yard then confirmed that any horse deemed no longer fit for service is sent to a slaughterhouse in Chertsey, Surrey, which shoots it, pays the police about £100 (US\$4,600) for the carcass and uses the meat for pet food. Twelve horses met this fate last year.

"Gun Death Awaits Bomb Hero," headlined the *Daily Express*. The *Daily Mail* noted that even in violent New York City, horses are left to graze, not shot.

PS A NEW police communications system has unclogged overloaded frequencies and will help dispatch patrol cars faster, says Tel Aviv police Nitzav Avraham Turgeman. Turgeman says the equipment will cut down the time it takes to contact a unit and, through a sophisticated scrambler system, ensure that the wrong ears cannot listen in.

The spacious and air-conditioned communications centre is situated in the basement of district headquarters on Rehov Dizengoff. Eight operators handle calls to the emergency "100" number, and send

the information on IBM cards via a conveyor belt to three dispatchers, each of whom is responsible for one of the district's three regional commands — Dan, in Ramat Gan, Yarkon, near the central bus station, and Jaffa, near the port's clock tower. The dispatchers contact the patrol cars directly by radio.

The cards are colour coded according to regional command, and for emergency calls, such as a report of a suspicious object, there are cards with a red band printed on top.

The operators and dispatchers work an eight-hour shift, and says district operations officer Rav-Pakad Gideon Fisher, are frequently plagued by crank calls.

All the conversations on the "100" line are taped, and police recently managed to trace a crank call and arrest the caller, Fisher said.

The equipment at the centre was installed over the past two years at a cost of \$2 million.

PS A SCOTTISH engineer has a new theory about the Loch Ness monster — it's an ancient pine log that occasionally floats to the surface and the knobs and lumps of resin that have formed on it give it the appearance of a strange beast.

Writing in the current edition of *New Scientist* Robert Craig gives two points to bolster his theory — Loch Ness has many pine trees on or near its shores and it is 230 metres deep, much deeper than the North Sea.

Craig suggests that the great depth of the lake would have crushed the outer layers of the tree trunk and, lying on the lake floor, these would have partly filled with gas which from time to time would force the tree trunk to the surface.

There the gas would be expelled and the log would sink, to rise again at some later day.

Craig says it is significant that very few monster sightings have been made at nearby lakes not surrounded by pine trees.

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